



Veterinary Immersive Programme (VIP)

Programme Rundown

13-24 July 2026

The timetable for the VIP Summer School for senior high-school students interested in pursuing a career in veterinary medicine is detailed below.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
THEME	Introduction to Veterinary Medicine	Animal Health & Welfare	Exotics	Public Health	Veterinary Pathology
09:00 - 09:30	Registration	Sign-in	Sign-in	Sign-in	Sign-in
09:30 - 09:45	Programme Rundown	Daily Briefing	Daily Briefing	Daily Briefing	Daily Briefing
09:45 - 10:30	Introduction to CityUHK and BVM	Talk A day in the life of a small animal vet	Talk Zoological Medicine - what does it take?	Talk The role of Vets in One-Health and in the World Organisation for Animal Health	<i>Practical</i> CityUHK Clinical Skills Lab; Palpation skills and surgical dexterity Venue: Clinical Skills Laboratory
10:30 - 11:00	Introduction to CityUHK and BVM	Morning Break	Morning Break	Morning Break	
11:00 - 11:30	Q & A Morning Tea – Milk & Ice-Cream	Talk Why Animal Welfare is Important	Talk Introduction to Exotic Animal Medicine	Talk Government Vets - Keeping people and animals safe	
11:30 - 12:00	Activity: Sharing session by veterinarians	Animal Welfare in Practice: The Veterinary Community Outreach Program Lunch	Interactive Talk Illegal wildlife trafficking & wildlife forensics: Lunch	Practical Disease outbreak investigation on a local poultry farm Lunch	Site visit CityUHK Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Tour Lunch
12:00 - 12:30					
12:30 - 13:00	Lunch with faculty and veterinary specialists				
13:00 - 14:00					
14:00 - 16:00	Talk A day in the Life of a Veterinary pathologist Venue: Pathobiology Lab	<i>Practical</i> The Knee Bone's Connected to the Thigh Bone: Comparative Anatomy of Animals Venue: Anatomy Lab	Site Visit Visit to Kadoorie Farm	Site Visit Visit to HKJC Quarantine Centre and Shatin Hospital	Site Visit Visit to AFCD Kai Tak – Animal Laboratory Tour and Animal Management Centre
16:00 - 17:00	<i>Practical</i> Use of Cytology, histopathology and Post-Mortems in disease diagnosis Venue: Pathobiology Lab				

	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00 – 13:00	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	9:00 – 10:30 <i>Site Visit</i> Visit to CityUHK Veterinary Medical Centre (VMC) Venue: CityUHK Veterinary Medical Centre
	Group A CityUHK Dairy Farm Venue: CityUHK Farm	Group C Lo Wu Saddle Club	Group C The Hong Kong Guide Dogs Association	Group A Visit to Poultry farm Venue: Tai Hing Farm	10:45 – 11:30 Admissions to CityUHK BVM Programme
	Group B Cat Café Venue: Cats Tea Room	Group D Tai Tong Eco Park	Group D Lo Wu Saddle Club	Group B CityUHK Clinical Skills Lab: Clinical reasoning and Patient Care	11:30 – 12:15 Sharing with BVM Students Veterinary Medical Society
		Group E The Hong Kong Guide Dogs Association	Group E Tai Tong Eco Park		12:15 – 12:30 Graduation 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch and finish
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:00	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	<i>Site Visit</i>	<i>Practical Attachment</i>	
	Group A Cat Café Venue: Cats Tea Room	Group C Tai Tong Eco Park	Visit to Ocean Park Venue: Ocean Park	Group A CityUHK Clinical Skills Lab: Clinical reasoning and Patient Care	
	Group B CityUHK Dairy Farm Venue: CityUHK Farm	Group D The Hong Kong Guide Dogs Association		Group B Visit to Poultry farm Venue: Tai Hing Farm	
		Group E Lo Wu Saddle Club			

Practical Skills Summary

Day 2:	The Knee Bone's Connected to the Thigh Bone: Comparative Anatomy of Animals Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn basic comparative skeletal anatomy and answer a quiz at the end of the session
Day 5:	Clinical Skills Lab Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quiet minds, busy hands – increase dexterity and learn how to suture and tie surgical knots
Day 6:	Practical Attachments to CityUHK Dairy Farm and Cat Cafe Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn basic cattle/feline behaviour, husbandry and handling and complete a basic physical examination Complete skills log
Days 7 & 8:	Practical Attachments to Lo Wu Saddle Club, Tai Tong EcoPark and The Hong Kong Guide Dogs Association Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn Equine/Small Ruminant/Canine behaviour, husbandry, handling and basic physical examination Complete skills log
Day 9:	Practical Attachment to Poultry Farm Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn poultry behaviour, husbandry, handling and basic physical examination Complete skills log CityUHK Clinical Skills Lab Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mastering venipuncture in different animal species