Welcome, CSU Veterinary Class of 2020!

VetText is an entirely student-run bookstore located on the second floor of the CSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Our store is a non-profit, giving money back to students each year through peer elected scholarships and donations to student clubs.

As our staff are all veterinary students, we know that you are being bombarded with loads of information right now. Our goal is to make ordering your books and supplies as easy as possible. We have outlined the process and tried to answer common questions below.

Step 1) Visit our website at www.vettext.org

Step 2) From the left side of the homepage, click on the “CSU Class of 2020” link. This takes you to a list containing the books & supplies that are required and recommended for your class.

Step 3) Sign up with SCAVMA to receive a discount! When you join the Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association (SCAVMA), you will receive 10% off any purchase made at VetText. You must register for SCAVMA online; you will receive information on how to do this from the Dean’s Office. To apply the discount, enter SCAVMA20CSU in the coupon code field at checkout. After doing this, you will see your discount price for any item that you shop for. SCAVMA registration may not be open this year before you want to purchase your books – if that’s the case, go ahead and enter the coupon code and register with SCAVMA later. In order for us to honor the discount, just bring in your receipt from SCAVMA registration at book pickup. *SCAVMA membership is encouraged for all students planning to join student clubs.

Step 4) After adding your purchases to the shopping cart, choose “in-store pickup” for your delivery option (use your Fort Collins address or if you don’t have one yet, please put: 300 W. Drake Rd., Fort Collins, CO, 80523) and finish checking out! Orders must be placed by Saturday, July 16, 2016 to guarantee that you will have your books and supplies for the first day of class.

Your order will be ready for pick up during our first year pick up event on Saturday, August 20th, 9am-3pm. Look for balloons and signs to lead you to VetText!

Some Fast Facts for Your Consideration before Submitting Your Order:
What books should I buy?
We encourage you to research & consider your textbook needs fully so you are sure you want and will use the textbooks you purchase. The cubes are stocked with copies of all the textbooks recommended/required for your first year classes. Use these to decide if a specific text will be very helpful to you on a regular basis. Additionally, you can access copies of the textbooks at the Veterinary Hospital’s library, and some are also available through CSU’s main campus library. Even more convenient, some textbooks are available with free online access from the library once you are on campus. We really encourage you to talk to your mentors; think about your academic strengths and weaknesses; your career interests; and consider the input from other veterinary students and faculty before buying textbooks. Finally, many classes supply note packets. The anatomy class specifically includes a very detailed note packet that is almost a textbook in itself that is well worth purchasing if you prefer paper notes. If you prefer electronic resources, all note packets provided from faculty are available for download once you arrive on campus. Your goal should be to create a reference library that will be helpful to you throughout your academic and professional careers.

What is your return policy?
Every item you purchase at VetText is 100% satisfaction guaranteed. Within 14 days of delivery or pickup, you may return or exchange items in new condition with original packaging and accessories. For books, this includes an intact plastic wrapper. However, first year book packages are nonrefundable due to the packaging from the publisher.

For return or exchange please insure the package for your protection and return it to our store address. Please include a copy of your receipt, invoice, or packing list. Specify whether you would like an exchange, repair, or refund on your bankcard. Used or dirty merchandise will not be eligible for return.

Do I need coveralls, overboots and clinic smocks right away?
Yes. The Dean’s Office has asked us to provide these items at the beginning of the semester so first year students could begin immediate use. The overboots and coveralls will be required for some labs as well as various wetlabs offered through different student clubs. Clinic smocks are a required component of the veterinary teaching hospital dress code for veterinary students. As your time in the hospital will be limited during your first year, one clinic smock is sufficient.

Does the radiology CD work on Macs?
Only if you have a parallels program or something similar; however, many Mac users still purchase this CD to use on school computers as it’s really the only way to study high quality images for the radiology courses. You will use this CD both first and second year.
The VCA is available online, why do I need to buy it?
True! There is an online version available. However, this is not the most updated version. Additionally, your purchase of the VCA USB includes other resources for performing specific exams that will be useful to you throughout your academic career. Finally, funds from the purchase of the USB go directly back to the faculty and students working to constantly update and improve VCA’s unique educational resource.

Can I have my things shipped to me now instead of pick up at orientation?
Unfortunately, no. We can not guarantee your items will arrive to you in time before you make your move to Fort Collins. To keep costs low for students, we ask that students place their orders by July 16 so that we may order all supplies in bulk and allow sufficient time for them to arrive to us. This helps to tremendously drive down the cost of tax and shipping. We then set aside store hours for you to come pick up your items before the start of classes. Plus, it’s one less thing for you to pack and move with you!

Congratulations on joining the CSU veterinary medical education community! VetText looks forward to serving you throughout your exciting journey. Please do not hesitate to contact us with your questions or concerns by emailing us at csufirstyearvet@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you all soon!

Sincerely,

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