THE UNIVERSITY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AND PHARMACY IN KOŠICE
Komenského 73, 041 81 Košice, Slovak Republic

The admission procedure – 2nd round at the University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice for study in the third level of higher education in full-time and part-time form in the academic year 2026/2027

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August 21st, 2026, at 8.00 a.m. (CET)

at the **PhD Study Section** for the following study branches and programmes:

Study branch:	**Study programme:**
Veterinary medicine	*Veterinary Morphology and Physiology*
	Infectious Diseases of Animals
	Parasitic Diseases of Animals
	Nutrition of Animals and Dietetics
	Food Hygiene
Biology	*Microbiology and Immunology*

The admission procedure is organized for applicants for postgraduate study (hereinafter *"PhD study"*) at the University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice (hereinafter "*the UVMP in Košice"*), as well as for external educational institutions with which the UVMP in Košice has signed a contract for the provision of the study programme in the third level of higher education, i.e. for applicants to PhD study at the Institute of Animal Physiology Centre of Biosciences of Slovak Academy of Sciences, v.v.i. in Košice, Institute of Parasitology of Slovak Academy of Sciences, v.v.i. in Košice and Institute of Neuroimmunology of Slovak Academy of Sciences, v.v.i. in Bratislava.

The list of PhD theses suggested by the UVMP in Košice and by external educational institutions is also the part of the proposal (see below).

Duration of the PhD study:
a) 4 years in full-time form
b) 5 years in part-time form

Deadline for application form: August 9th, 2026

Academic year starts *on September 1st, 2026*

Conditions for applicant:

- Basic requirement for admission to study programmes at the third level of higher education in the full-time and in the part-time forms of study in accredited study programmes at the UVMP is the completion of study programmes at the second level of higher education or study programmes combining first and second levels of higher education in a related study branch
- English - language skills in written and spoken at proficient level;
- Acceptance is based on successfully passing the entrance exams;

Admission of the applicant is not possible without entrance examination!

Admission Fee:

Fee for the admission procedure is **40 €**

Payment reimbursement:

University Bank account details:

Account holder:		**Univerzita veterinárskeho lekárstva a farmácie v Košiciach Komenského 73, 041 81 Košice**
Bank details:		**Štátna pokladnica, Radlinského 32, 810 05 Bratislava 15, Slovakia**
Account number	**:**	**7000072225/8180**
IBAN	**:**	**SK42 8180 0000 0070 0007 2225**
S.W.I.F.T.	**:**	**SPSRSKBA**
K.S.	**:**	**0967**
V.S.	**:**	**72225 + "applicant´s full name" as Reference for Recipient**

(V.S. and Reference are used to identify the owner of payment. Please make sure you include them when making payment).

Annual Tuition Fee:

5.000 €* for full-time and part-time form of study, study in Slovak language is free of charge.

**This is the maximum amount that can be reduced to a proposal of the Vice-Rector for Science, Research, PhD Study and International Relations.*

Application form to Postgraduate study:

Application form: https://www.uvlf.sk/document/application-form-for-the-3rd-level-phd.rtf

List of documents supporting the application:

- Curriculum Vitae (signed)
- Proof of payment of the admission fee - certified copy of bank statement
- Applicant's educational attainment documents - certified photocopies of:
  - university diploma and diploma supplement
  - state examination certificate
- Official transcript of study records *(with confirmation of data accuracy by the study office of the university from which the applicant graduated including date of issue, signature and stamp)* or its certified copy
- List of published professional and scientific papers
- Framework project of PhD thesis

The university reserves the right to examine all educational certificates and personal identity documents, should it wish to do so at any time.

Completed and signed application form with enclosures should be sent *by post* to the address:

PhD Study Section
The University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice
Komenského 73
041 81 Košice
Slovak Republic

or **submitted personally** *at the Post Room* of the UVMP in Košice. Further information is also available at the website: www.uvlf.sk/en or by e-mail: doktorandi@uvlf.sk

List of PhD theses for full-time and part-time form of PhD study in academic year 2026/2027 – 2nd round

Study programme	Study branch	Tutor	Topic
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Vlčková, DVM, PhD.	Effect of Camelina sativa and its metabolites on uterine activity of gilts ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Prof. Zita Faixová, DVM, PhD., MPH	Effect of nutraceuticals on antioxidant status, immune response and digestion in animals ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Drahomíra Sopková, DVM, PhD.	Evaluation of Morphological and Developmental Changes in Biomodels Following the Application of Snake Venoms ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Prof. Eva Petrovová, DVM, PhD.	Eggshell membrane – bioactive material for hard tissue applications ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Prof. Eva Petrovová, DVM, PhD.	The pig as an animal model for study of kidney transplantation ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Lenka Luptáková, DVM, PhD.	Hydroxyapatite – A Sustainable material for biomedical applications ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Viera Karaffová, DVM, PhD.	Use of ex vivo models in testing the effects of substances of natural origin in poultry ***Full-time form***
Veterinary Morphology and Physiology	Veterinary medicine	Soňa Gancarčíková, DVM, PhD.	The application of faecal microbiota transplantation in the treatment of chronic inflammatory bowel disease in dogs ***Full-time form***

Infectious Diseases of Animals	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Marián Prokeš, DVM, PhD.	Genetic diversity and zoonotic potential of Anaplasma spp. in small animal populations ***Part-time form***
Nutrition of Animals and Dietetics	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Lukáš Bujňák, DVM, PhD.	Biological control of protein nutrition levels in monogastric animals ***Full-time form***
Food Hygiene	Veterinary medicine	Assoc. Prof. Ivana Regecová, DVM, PhD.	Innovative approach to the assessment of the persistence of antimicrobial resistance in biofilm-forming bacteria in animal production ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Prof. Dagmar Mudroňová, DVM, PhD.	Study of the influence of substances of natural origin and probiotic bacteria on the intestinal microbiota and immune response of cyprinid fish ***Full-time form***

External educational institutions

Centre of Biosciences Slovak Academy of Sciences, v. v. i., Institute of Animal Physiology in Košice

Study programme	**Study branch**	**Tutor**	**Topic**
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Dobroslava Bujňáková, RNDr., PhD.	Progressive eco-friendly and sustainable approaches to eradication of bacterial biofilms ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Monika Pogány Simonová, DVM, PhD.	Postbiotics - an effective approach to inactivate undesirable microbiota in animals ***Full-time form***

Institute of Parasitology, Slovak Academy of Sciences, v. v. i. in Košice

Parasitic Diseases of Animals	Veterinary medicine	Mikuláš Oros, RNDr., D.Sc.	Diversity of parasites and their phylogenetic relationships in native and invasive crustacean species in Central Europe ***Full-time form***

Institute of Neuroimmunology, Slovak Academy of Sciences, v.v.i. in Bratislava

Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Monika Žilková, RNDr., PhD.	Identification of T cell epitopes of bacterial proteins for generation of adaptive immunomodulatory carriers for efficient active immunotherapies in neurodegenerative disorders ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Rostislav Škrabana, RNDr., PhD.	Lactoferrin as an important player of innate immunity ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Andrej Kováč, PharmDr., PhD.	Molecular mechanisms of tau protein movement in the extracellular space of the brain ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Ľubica Fialová, DVM, PhD.	Immunologic, proteomic, and metabolomic aspects of defects in thymus development in children: implications for clinical biomarkers and personalized therapy ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Ľubica Fialová, DVM, PhD.	Implementation of the in vitro immunisation method as an alternative approach to obtaining specific antibodies ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Ondrej Cehlár, Ing., PhD.	Integrative application of structural biology methods for the study of physiological and pathological tau protein conformations ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Ondrej Cehlár, Ing., PhD.	Molecular basis of the interaction of tau proteins with heparan sulphate proteoglycans ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Ondrej Cehlár, Ing., PhD.	Biophysical aspects of the initial steps of tau protein pathological aggregation and its inhibition with antibodies and small molecules ***Full-time form***
Microbiology and Immunology	Biology	Prof. Mangesh Bhide, MVSc., PhD.	Comprehensive omics analysis of round-form of neuroinvasive Borrelia for development of potential therapeutic peptides ***Full-time form***