

CPVMA NEWSLETTER

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HIGHLIGHTS

- EXECUTIVE POSITIONS 2024 - 2025
- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024
- VET SCHOOL ADMISSIONS DEBRIEF

WELCOME TO THE 5TH ISSUE OF THE CPVMA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER!!

The monthly newsletter is your go-to source for all things CPVMA. Stay connected with event updates, read articles of inspiring experiences shared by pre-vet and current vet students, new opportunities for animal experience. Keep up with our news and highlights to empower your journey into veterinary medicine. All our newsletters will be available to read in our Newsletter Archives on our website. Thank you for being a part of our community.

EXECUTIVE TEAM UPDATES

The executive team is in the final stages of preparing for the last event of the term: the Annual General Meeting (AGM). This key event will allow us to reflect on the achievements of the past term, provide essential updates on our initiatives, and outline the strategic goals for the upcoming year. For those interested in joining the executive team for the 2024-2025 term, please ensure you fill out the application form before the meeting. We look forward to seeing you at the AGM!

More details in following pages...

by your VP of Public Relations

EXECUTIVE POSITIONS 2024 - 2025

The 2023-2024 CPVMA Executive Team successfully completed the Internal Elections for the upcoming term.

Internal Election Results:

- Co-presidents - **Shadi Zadeh & Chantel VanDorp**
- Senior VP of Public Relations - **Huaiyu (Selina) Yin**
- Senior VP of Media - **Hin Yee Kwong**
- Senior VP of Merchandise - **Mabel Angelus**
- Senior VP of Outreach - **Ashley Howald**
- Junior VP of Media - **Ziting (Mica) Li**
- Junior VP of Events - **Saba Eskandary**

Hence the positions that are open to public applications include:

Application deadline is September 13th at 11:59pm.

Senior Vice President Events

Senior Vice President Finance

Junior Vice President Finance*

Senior Vice President Sponsorship

Junior Vice President Sponsorship*

Senior Vice President Fundraising

Junior Vice President Fundraising*

Junior Vice President Outreach*

Junior Vice President Merchandise*

Junior Vice President Public Relations*

Member Director

Junior Member Director*

Secretary

Regional General Committee Members (5)

*Junior positions have a 2-year commitment. You learn the role responsibilities in the first year and will take the senior role the following year.

Commitment requirements for the positions:

- Attend 70% of the Executive Board's biweekly meetings, with a maximum of two absences in a row, unless reasonable notice is provided in advance
- Complete tasks outlined in the Action Plan by the deadlines specified by the individual

2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is an opportunity to learn more about the Canadian Pre-Veterinary Medical Association (CPVMA), our not-for-profit status, meet the CPVMA team, review our achievements and financial report for the year, understand the CPVMA Constitution and any amendments, and participate and vote in the external elections!

For those who have already applied for executive positions, please note that the interview process will take place during the AGM.

This year's AGM will be held on **Saturday, September 14th, at 2 PM EST virtually** via Teams.

For the next term, we are excited to announce more opportunities for members to get involved, including the introduction of:

- **Junior Positions:** designed for new executives looking to take on leadership responsibilities in their respective fields. After a period of training under the returning (senior) executive member, they will gain a better understanding of the specific responsibilities included in the position.
- **Regional General Committee Members:** attend executive meetings and assist the executive team in accomplishing assigned tasks. They will represent their region by advocating for the interests of pre-veterinary students through personal experience and research and will host regional CPVMA events. There are five Regional General Committee Member positions, each open to an individual residing in the region of the corresponding vet school.

More detailed descriptions of these positions, including commitments and responsibilities, are available to review on <https://cpvma.ca/join-our-team-2024-25/>.

Apply today using the QR code below!



VET SCHOOL ADMISSIONS DEBRIEF SESSION

With recent changes in admission requirements across several Canadian vet schools, we advise everyone to check for updates and take advantage of available information to stay informed and prepared.

The [Ontario Veterinary College](#) will be hosting an Admissions Debrief on [September 11th, 2024](#), at 6 PM EST, online via Microsoft Teams. [Ms. Elizabeth Lowenger](#) - Senior Advisor of our team and the Manager of Student Affairs at OVC, will present a comprehensive overview of the DVM program selection process and provide valuable insights into the vet school application process.



The QR code directs interested students to the meeting link posted in the Future Vets Club forum.

For vet schools in other provinces, no confirmed debriefing sessions have been scheduled for this year. The following resources are potentially useful and can be found on each school's website.



The QR code directs prospective students to the recording of the [WCVM general admissions session](#) from October 26, 2023.



The QR code directs prospective students to information about the [AVC 2024 Open House](#), which will take place on September 28th, 2024.



The QR code directs prospective students to [UCVM's Admission Timeline](#) website, which provides a detailed breakdown of the process.



The QR code directs prospective students to [FMV of UdeM's 2020 information session recording](#) (in French).

ARTICLE OF THE MONTH

IS THAT A CHIPMUNK OR A GROUND SQUIRREL?

The article from Think Wild discusses how to differentiate between chipmunks and ground squirrels. Both are small, striped rodents but have distinct differences.



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The Canadian Pre-Veterinary Medical Association

WHO ARE WE?

The CPVMA is a student led, not for profit organization that aims to connect the pre-veterinary community across Canada. Our goal is to provide resources to pre-veterinary students and give them the opportunity to network with fellow peers and professionals in the field.



OUR EVENTS

- Held online and accessible from anywhere in Canada
- Feature veterinary professionals and current veterinary students
- Prepare pre-veterinary students for success in their future!

GET INVOLVED

- Volunteers are accepted on a rolling basis... visit our website to apply today!
- Check out our executive positions- elections take place at our Annual General Meeting

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