Effects of accreditation on United States and Canadian veterinary college libraries in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries

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APPENDIX B

Establishment of veterinary colleges and veterinary libraries in the United States and Canada, 1862–2014

| Institution (current name)                  | State or province | Land grant institution | Date school established* | First class matriculated* | Date first veterinary reading room | Date separate veterinary library† | Date first veterinary librarian | Date first professional veterinary librarian | Notes                                                                 |
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| The legacy colleges (1862–1920)            |                   |                        |                          |                           |                                   |                                  |                                 |                                             |
| University of Guelph                       | ON                |                        | 1862                     | 1862                      | 1909?                             | ???                              | 1909 (Sweetapple)               | 1975? (Hull)                         | Separate veterinary library closed in 2009.                           |
| Iowa State University                      | IA Yes            |                        | 1879                     | 1880                      | 1912                              | 1976                             | 1915 (Flemming)                 | 1971 (Peterson)                     | Veterinary student library in 1943.                                   |
| University of Pennsylvania                 | PA                |                        | 1884                     | 1884                      | ??                                | 1913                             | 1912 (Kimball)                  | 1953 (Cross)                       | Reading room prior to 1913.                                                 |
| Ohio State University                      | OH Yes            |                        | 1885                     | 1887                      | 1917                              | 1929                             | 1929 (Kramer)                   | 1961 (Merhemic)                    | Veterinary Lab Library in 1917.                                          |
| Cornell University                         | NY Yes            |                        | 1894                     | 1896                      | 1897                              | 1897                             | 1897 (Cornell)                  | 1946 (Purington)                    | Library founded by gift from New York State Governor Roswell P. Flower in 1897. Later renamed Flower-Sprecher Library in 1993. |
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| Washington State University               | WA                | Yes                    | 1899                     | 1899                      | 1952                               | 1963                             | 1964 (Gass)                      | 1976 (Croft)                           | Library renamed Animal Health Library in 2009.                          |
| Kansas State University                   | KS                | Yes                    | 1905                     | 1905                      | ca. 1937                           | 1970                             | 1970 (Coffee)                    | 1970 (Coffee)                           |                                                                                     |
| Auburn University                         | AL                | Yes                    | 1907                     | 1909                      | 1935                               | 1970                             | 1970 (Henley)                    | 1970 (Henley)                           | Named Charles A. Cary Veterinary Library in 1970.                       |
| Colorado State University                 | CO                | Yes                    | 1907                     | 1907                      | 1907                               | 1979                             | 1957 (Bergland)                  | 1957 (Bergland)                       | Veterinary Teaching Hospital Library established 1979.                  |
| Michigan State University                 | MI                | Yes                    | 1907                     | 1910                      | 1960                               | 1960 (Maher)                     | 1960 (Maher)                     |                                                                                     | The branch library closed in 2012 and became a reading room only.       |
| Texas A&M University                      | TX                | Yes                    | 1916                     | 1916                      | 1949                               | 1949 (Hicks)                     | 1949 (Hicks)                     |                                                                                     | Veterinary Library until it became Medical Sciences Library in 1978 serving several colleges. |
| Université de Montréal                    | QC                |                        | 1920                     | 1920                      | 1971                               | 1971 (Jette)                     | 1971 (Jette)                      |                                                                                     | School founded in 1886; located at Oka from 1920 until it moved to St.-Hyacinthe in 1947. |
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| Post–World War II colleges (1944–1963) | | | | | | | | | |
| University of Illinois | IL | Yes | 1944 | 1948 | 1947 | 1952 | 1952 (Estep) | 1952 (Estep) | Moved to new veterinary school campus in 1982. |
| Tuskegee University | AL | Yes | 1945 | 1945 | Early 1950s; 1967 (staffed) | 1979 | 1967 (Davis) | 1967 (Davis) | Unstaffed reading room created in early 1950s. Named T.S. Williams Veterinary Medical Library in 1979. |
| University of California–Davis | CA | Yes | 1946 | 1948 | 1946 | 1956 | 1959 (Merala) | 1959 (Merala) | Carlson Health Sciences Library serves as veterinary library. |
| University of Georgia | GA | Yes | 1946 | 1946 | 1956 | 1968 | 1968 (Milton) | 1980 (Rowland) | School opened, then closed, then reopened. Current reading room opened in 1968. |
| University of Missouri | MO | Yes | 1946 | 1946 | 1951 | 1970 | 1951 (Hombs) | 1970 (Boyd) | Moved to current location 1977. Renamed Zalk Veterinary Medical Library in 2005. |
| University of Minnesota | MN | Yes | 1947 | 1947 | 1948 | 1971 | 1948 (Rukavina) | 1956 (Raynolds) | Moved to current location 1971. |
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| Oklahoma State University | OK                | Yes                    | 1948                     | 1948                       | 1950                              | n.d. (Linscheid)                | 1967 (MacNeil)                  | Named William E. Brock Memorial Library in 1980. |
| Purdue University         | IN                | Yes                    | 1957                     | 1959                       | 1959                              | 1959 (Kerker)                   | 1959 (Kerker)                  | Moved to new library in 1995. |
| University of Saskatchewan| SK                |                        | 1963                     | 1965                       | 1965                              | 1965 (Martin)                   | 1965 (Martin)                  | Had previous “library” in 1940s. |

**The 1970s colleges (1968–1983)**

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| Louisiana State University| LA                | Yes                    | 1968                     | 1973                       | 1974                              | 1974 (Loubiere)                 | 1974 (Loubiere)              | M. Hanchey began planning for library in 1969. Moved to current location in 1974. |
| University of Florida     | FL                | Yes                    | 1971                     | 1976                       | 1966 (Srygley)                    | 1966 (Srygley)                 |                                | No separate veterinary library. Reading room now closed. |
| Mississippi State University| MS              | Yes                    | 1974                     | 1977                       | 1977                              | 1977 (Hsuing)                   | 1977 (Hsuing)                |                                |
| University of Tennessee   | TN                | Yes                    | 1974                     | 1976                       | 1977                              | 1977 (West)                    | 1977 (West)                  | Pendergrass Agriculture-Veterinary Medicine Library established 1977, serving several colleges. |
| North Carolina State University | NC            | Yes                    | 1975                     | 1981                       | 1980                              | 1979 (Fischer)                 | 1979 (Fischer)              | Named William Rand Kenan, Jr. Library in 2006. |
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| Oregon State University   | OR                  | Yes                    | 1975                     | 1979                     | 1979                              | 1979 (Bates)                    | 2005 (Christie)                | 2005 (Christie)                   |       |
| Tufts University          | MA                  |                        | 1978                     | 1979                     | 1978                              | 1978 (Inglis)                   | 1978 (Inglis)                  | Name Webster Family Library.      |       |
| Virginia Tech/University of Maryland | VA     | Yes                    | 1978                     | 1980                     | 1978                              | 1980 (MacNeil)                  | 1980 (MacNeil)                | V. Kok began building collection in 1975. |       |
| University of Wisconsin-Madison | WI     | Yes                    | 1979                     | 1983                     | 1983                              | 1983 (Sessions)                 | 1983 (Sessions)                | No separate veterinary library. |       |
| University of Prince Edward Island | PI     |                        | 1983                     | 1986                     | 1986                              | 1986 (Taylor)                   | 1986 (Taylor)                  | No separate veterinary library. |       |
| **Twenty-first century colleges (1998–2014)** | 4 United States; 1 Canadian | | | | | | | | |
| Western University of Health Sciences | CA     |                        | 1998                     | 2003                     | 1978 (Stevenson)                 | 1978 (Stevenson)                | Main library established 1978. No separate veterinary library. | |
| University of Calgary     | AB                  |                        | 2005                     | 2008                     | 2006 (Toews)                     | 2006 (Toews)                    | No separate veterinary library. |       |
| Utah State University     | UT                  | Yes                    | 2009                     | 2012                     | 2008 (Weingart)                  | 2008 (Weingart)                 | No separate veterinary library. |       |
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| Midwestern University      | AZ                |                        | 2012                     | 2014                     |                                   | 2011 (Reed)                      | 2011 (Reed)                     | No separate veterinary library.           |       |
| Lincoln Memorial University| TN                |                        | 2014                     | 2014                     |                                   | 2012 (Sharrow)                   | 2012 (Sharrow)                   | No separate veterinary library.           |       |

* Official date the veterinary college was founded (not the parent institution) with year of that college’s first matriculating (graduating) doctor of veterinary medicine (DVM) class.

† At some institutions, a separate veterinary or animal health library was created; at others, a life sciences or medical library may contain materials dedicated to supporting the veterinary school as noted.

Sources: Various sources were used to compile data concerning the veterinary libraries, including personal communications from current and past veterinary medical librarians (2015 and 2019), published and unpublished veterinary library histories, American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) directory and resource manuals, and other resource materials. Copies of personal communications are available in the MLA Veterinary Medical Libraries Section Archives located at the Medical Sciences Library, Texas A & M University, College Station, TX.