

The Council has proposed the following revision for Standard 5, Information Resources (additions are underlined, deletions are ~~struck through~~):

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~~Information retrieval, evaluation, and efficient use are essential to veterinary medical education, research, public service, and continuing education.~~ Timely access to information resources and information professionals must be available to students and faculty at core training sites. The college shall have access to the human, digital, and physical resources for retrieval of relevant veterinary and supporting literature, development of instructional materials, and provide appropriate training for students and faculty. The program must be able to demonstrate, using its outcomes assessment data, that students are competent in retrieving, evaluating, and efficiently applying information through the use of electronic and other appropriate information technologies.

Rational for the proposed revision to Standard 5, Information Resources:

The Council added language to clarify that access to information resources should not just occur on campus, but should also occur at all core locations where students gather for their education. The Council believes that students and faculty should have access to training in the use of available information resources and be able to demonstrate through outcomes assessment that students have achieved these skills.