The Arizona Veterinary Loan Assistance Program provides loan assistance to veterinarians who work in Arizona for at least four years. Veterinarians must be accepted into the program and enter into an agreement with the Arizona Board of Regents before qualifying for assistance. Funding is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Minimum qualifications are:

- Applicants must have been awarded a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from an eligible veterinary college or university after Jan. 1, 2023.
- Must have a current veterinary license in Arizona.
- Must have veterinary college education loans that aren’t and don’t become delinquent or go into default.
- Applicants must enter into an agreement with the Arizona Board of Regents indicating that they will work as a full-time veterinarian in Arizona for the following four years after obtaining valid licensure in Arizona.

Must work full-time in one of the following practice areas for at least two of the four years:

- Agricultural practice in an area designated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture as having a shortage. Find agricultural areas with veterinarian shortages here: nifa.usda.gov.
- A nonprofit, county or municipal shelter.

Must submit required documentation with the application:

- Transcripts showing a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree or its equivalent, conferred after Jan. 1, 2023;
- Arizona veterinary license;
- Federal and private promissory notes;
- Balances of all federal loans found in your Federal Student Aid account; and
- Balances of private student loans.

AWARD AMOUNT

The maximum assistance amount is $100,000 or the balance of the veterinarian’s college loans, whichever is less.

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