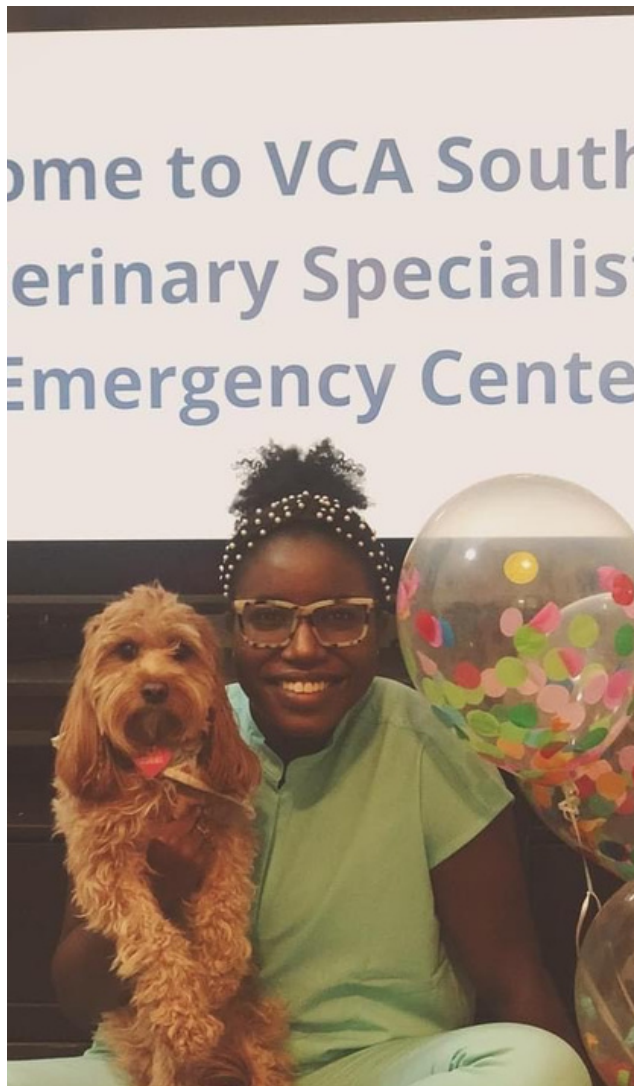


# GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL COUNCIL'S STUDENT OF THE WEEK

A series showcasing the talented graduate and professional students at the  
University of Missouri

## TAYLOR JACKSON

DVM Candidate-Class of 2021



### HIGHLIGHTED LEADERSHIP ROLES:

- Women's Veterinary Leadership Development Initiative - 2019-2021
- CVM Diversity Committee 2017 to 2021
- Student American Veterinary Medical Association 2017 to 2021
- Veterinary Business Management Association 2017 to 2021
- VOICE (Veterinary Students as One in Culture and Ethnicity) 2017 to 2021
- Veterinary Enrichment & Team building (VET) Student Coordinator- 2019
- Animal Medical Center of Mid-America, Saint Louis, MO March 10, 2021-March 23, 2021

### AWARDS:

Class Historian 2017 to 2021  
CVM Student Ambassador 2017 to 2021

### VOLUNTEER SERVICE:

Gentle Doctor Benefit Student Fundraising  
Committee 2018 and 2019

More about Taylor on the next page!

## HEAR WHAT TAYLOR'S NOMINATOR HAD TO SAY:

I have known Taylor for over a decade now. I have seen her struggles, I have seen her pour her blood (literally), sweat and tears into getting this DVM degree. She has made the absolute most out of time at Mizzou fully immersing herself into this field. She is passionate about this and she is eager to continue learning to become top in this field. I think she is a gift to the profession and anywhere she decides to go would be lucky to have her. She is always educating her non VET friends on the proper health habits for their animals. Personally: I know she's always a call away and when I've been in trouble she will show up as quickly as she can.

## ASPIRATIONS, INTERESTS, AND/OR HOBBIES:

Taylor hopes to one day specialize in dermatology for small animals with specific interests in atopic dermatitis and immune-mediated skin diseases. She desires to work in a specialty hospital because she enjoys being able to collaborate with other disciplines. Once she is board certified she plans to be active in the community and outreach to children in order to spark their interest in the field of veterinary medicine. She enjoys volunteering for the Saint Louis Zoo because it was the first place that introduced her to veterinary medicine.

## WHAT IS ONE THING THAT HAS BEEN INVALUABLE TO YOUR STUDIES?

Taylor's favorite opportunity was being able to travel to South Africa for the Zoo Wildlife Medicine Externship. She initially was interested in this field by going to the STL zoo as a child and learning about the animals there. For her, this externship abroad really made it all come full circle. While she may want to stick with working on small animals for now, she learned so much about conservation efforts and wildlife safety which she will remember for a life time.

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