

Vice President at Large

Full Name: Neil Vezeau

Country of Residence: USA

University of Attendance: Iowa State University

Level of Degree Currently(Master, PhD etc.): DVM
Candidate

Year in that Degree: 1st year

Previous Degrees and/or Diplomas: B.S. in animal
science & microbiology



I am a current 1st-year veterinary student at Iowa State University. I recently graduated from Iowa State with Bachelor's degrees in animal science and microbiology, including a minor in emerging global diseases.

I am the the founder and former president of Iowa State's chapter of Veterinarians Without Borders. I am also the founder and current co-chair of the Iowa One Health Conference, and have been fortunate enough to speak on student efforts in One Health at numerous conferences, domestic and abroad.

As a former member of Iowa State's Student Government, I developed a strong interest and using science to shape policy that will affect positive change in the world. I have been part of a long-running legislative initiative to support upper-level education in Iowa. This legislative experience served as an inspiration to pursue animal food security policy. It also laid the groundwork to go and advocate for One Health to various Senators and Congressmen in Washington D.C. Other ongoing projects include crafting state-level policy initiatives to further the One Health movement, as well as hosting national-level discussions on advancing One Health Policy.

I plan on obtaining further research or clinical training after obtaining my DVM. My current interests include zoonotic antimicrobial resistance, and international policy affecting its spread, as well as comparative orthopedic implant surgery. I may pursue an advanced degree in public health, veterinary microbiology, or biomaterials to further these goals.