(January 25, 2011 Stillwater, OK) – Two second-year veterinary students at Oklahoma State University's Center for Veterinary Health Sciences were recently commissioned into the United States Air Force. Performing the swearing in ceremony for Catherine Morris of Layton, Utah, and Erin Way of Tuttle, Okla., was fellow third-year veterinary student Matt Kren of Chesapeake, Va. Kren was commissioned just last year.

Upon their graduation in 2013, Morris and Way will be promoted to Captain and begin serving three years of active duty as Public Health Officers in the U.S. Air Force stationed in either the United States or abroad.

Both recruits come from military backgrounds. Morris' parents both served in the military with three of their four children now enlisted. Way's father retired from the Air Force and her brother is currently Air Force National Guard.

Morris is the daughter of Rebecca Bowling of Layton and Michael Maquet. Way is the daughter of Daren and Kim Paddyaker of Tuttle.

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