

Internship in Clinical Shelter Medicine and Surgery

The Veterinary Community Outreach Program (VCOP) at the University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://sacs.vetmed.ufl.edu/programs/vcop/>) seeks qualified applicants for a one-year, rotating internship in Clinical Shelter Medicine and Surgery beginning June 15, 2016. The program is designed to provide the intern with a well-rounded experience in the provision of general veterinary medicine and surgery with an emphasis on the practice of clinical shelter medicine and surgery. Development of anesthesia and surgical skills will be emphasized, with a focus on high-quality, high-volume spay-neuter and pediatric sterilization. The intern will also be expected to develop clinical and didactic teaching skills and gain experience in shelter animal research and scientific writing.

The training program includes 24 weeks working in the VCOP, 14 weeks of required clinical rotations, and 10 weeks of clinical electives. Clinical responsibilities include assisting faculty clinicians with the care of patients in animal shelter settings, providing and supervising routine veterinary care of patients presented to the VCOP, and assisting and supervising patient care provided by students, including elective anesthetic and surgical procedures. Academic responsibilities include the completion of one first-authored, scientific paper; creation and delivery of one seminar; regular participation in journal club and case discussions; and attendance at rounds, seminars, and meetings as appropriate. The intern may also participate in didactic teaching, emergency response, and other clinical training opportunities as they arise.

The program is directly supported by 2 full-time faculty clinicians and 1 part-time clinical instructor. Competitive candidates must have a DVM or equivalent degree and must submit a current CV along with a statement of interest in the program, and 3 letters of recommendation. Candidates will also be interviewed prior to acceptance.

Intern salary at the CVM is \$28,500, plus an elaborate benefit package. This employer-paid package includes medical, dental, vision, life, accidental death & dismemberment, disability, pet, legal, cancer, long term disability, and accident (out of pocket) insurance. With most plans, there is also the option to include family members on the coverage at no extra cost. In addition you will receive a \$500 professional development allowance.

Applications will be accepted until December 10, 2015. Please contact Dr. Natalie Isaza (isazan@ufl.edu) or Dr. Brian DiGangi (digangib@ufl.edu) for additional information.