

INTERNSHIP IN VETERINARY EMERGENCY AND CRITICAL CARE

**Louisiana State University
School of Veterinary Medicine
Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences
Veterinary Teaching Hospital**

Revised September 2016

TABLE OF CONTENTS

- 1.0** Introduction
- 2.0** Objectives
- 3.0** Prerequisites
- 4.0** Faculty Mentor
- 5.0** Clinical Program
- 6.0** House Officer Rounds and Seminar Program
- 7.0** Teaching Program
- 8.0** House Officer Committee
- 9.0** Employment and Benefits
- 10.0** Performance Evaluation
- 11.0** Post Internship Study
- 12.0** Application Procedure
- 13.0** Appendices
 - 13.1**

**INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
IN
VETERINARY EMERGENCY AND CRITICAL CARE**

surgery or its equivalent post-graduate experience.

- 3.3** Candidates should have successfully completed the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) or its equivalent.

4.0 FACULTY MENTOR

- 4.1** The Intern will be assigned a Faculty Mentor who is a Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Specialist in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. The mentor will monitor the intern's progress through the program and also the intern's progress of case and seminar presentations to ensure timely and acceptable preparation. The mentor may suggest the intern seek other guidance from faculty more closely associated with the cases or topics. Manuscripts submitted for publication will be reviewed, revised and coauthored by a SVM faculty member(s).

5.0 CLINICAL PROGRAM

- 5.1 Introduction.** Under the direct supervision of the Faculty Mentor, the major thrust of the Internship program is to provide advanced training in veterinary emergency and critical care. The Intern's independent case responsibility will increase as the program progresses.

5.2 Clinical Training.

5.2.1 In the 1-year program, there will be a total of 50 weeks (48 weeks on clinic blocks) of clinic duty. The intern will spend the majority of the time on the Emergency Service receiving cases and backing up rotating interns. Several weeks will be spent in the ICU focusing on intensive care.

5.2.2 The Intern will be trained in all pertinent aspects of the delivery of emergency and critical care medicine to veterinary patients. The Intern will be responsible to see incoming emergencies and will help manage ICU patients along side the Faculty in Emergency and Critical Care. The training will include considerations of, but will not be limited to, evaluation of emergency and critical care patients,

5.2.3 Four weeks of the year will be allocated to elective rotations through the following services if available: Small Animal Medicine, Surgery, Diagnostic Imaging, Neurology, and Anesthesia.

5.2.4 The Intern will participate in the tutorial instruction of Phase II students.

5.2.5 The Intern will participate in daily student rounds, Journal club, and special topic conferences presented in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Other seminars in the SVM will be attended as scheduling permits.

5.3 Emergency Duty. The Intern will participate in the emergency duty scheduled.

5.3.1 The intern will participate in emergency duty scheduled with other members of the Medicine Service. This duty will commit the Intern to evening, weekend and holiday duty on a rotating schedule. Throughout in the Intern's program, Faculty supervision during emergency duty will be significant. A faculty in Emergency and Critical Care or a faculty in Medicine will always be available for back up when the intern is on emergency duty. The intern will also share daytime emergency duty with other small animal house officers on a rotating basis.

6.0 HOUSE OFFICER ROUNDS AND SEMINAR PROGRAM

6.1 The House Officer Rounds are designed to provide the intern an opportunity to receive and present interesting, unusual, or difficult clinical case material utilizing a problem oriented approach to professional colleagues and to develop manuscripts for publication. The intern will participate with other VCS house officers on a rotating basis and will make at least 1 case presentation in House Officer Rounds during the year.

6.2 The House Officer Seminar series is designed to provide the intern with the opportunity to research and present scientific material to professional colleagues. One seminar will be presented during the year.

6.3 A SVM faculty member will be selected by the intern to mentor both case presentations and seminar preparation. Any manuscript based on the seminar to be submitted for publication will be reviewed, revised and coauthored by a SVM faculty member(s).

6.4 Attendance: The intern is required to attend and participate in the following: VMED 7001: VCS Seminar, Grand Rounds, House Officer Rounds and, other seminars which are requirements of the Intern's home section.

6.4.1 VCS HO Rounds/Seminar Policy

- 6.4.1.1** HO attendance at all HO Rounds/Seminar sessions is required. HO attendance is required at only those rounds and seminars designated as VCS HO Rounds/Seminar sessions and that others occurring in the same time slot are not required by the House Officer Committee.
- 6.4.1.2** Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each session.
- 6.4.1.3** HO will be required to present an additional seminar if they have more than one unexcused absence during the program year.
- 6.4.1.4** All absences must be accounted for by completing a HO Leave Request Form and submitting it to the HOC chair.
- 6.4.1.5** Excused absences include the following: illness, annual leave, attendance or participation in a continuing education program, presentation of a student lecture, scheduled out-rotation or special service requirements per request of advisor. All other absences are unexcused unless deemed excusable by the HO advisor.

6.5 Evaluations of House Officer Rounds and House Officer Seminar presentations will be provided by those in attendance.

7.0 TEACHING PROGRAM

7.1 Throughout the Internship program, the Intern will function as a role model for students in the DVM program. The Intern will participate in the clinical instruction and evaluation of Phase II veterinary students assigned to the Emergency and Critical Care Service.

8.0 HOUSE OFFICER COMMITTEE

8.1 The Committee is comprised of a representative of each House Officer program. It is responsible for the year-end review of each house officer's progress. This review is based on block evaluations received throughout the course of the program. The Committee grants a certificate to those who successfully complete the program.

8.2 All House Officers are required to complete an annual evaluation of their program

coverage. The salary (not a stipend) is published in the Directory of Internships and Residencies as published by the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians (www.virmp.org). Salary is payable in monthly increments via direct deposit. Retirement contributions are required and withheld from each paycheck. No social security tax is withheld. Federal and state income tax is withheld. The employee may be eligible to petition

officer.

- 10.5** All House Officers are required to complete an annual evaluation of their program with suggestions for improvement before continuation or completion of their program is granted.

11.0 POST INTERNSHIP STUDY

- 11.1** If the intern is considering a residency or graduate program following completion of the internship, it is suggested that he/she consult with relevant faculty to maximize preparation for that program.

12.0 APPLICATION PROCEDURE -0.01P DUP -0.01P

13.0 APPENDICES

13.1 HOUSE OFFICER ROUNDS EVALUATION FORM

House Officer: _____ Date: _____

Evaluator: _____

clinical significance	0-5	
Organization	0-10	
Quality of material	0-10	
Presence: speaking ability		
Clarity	0-10	
Rate of delivery	0-10	
Enthusiasm, expressiveness	0-10	
Support Materials		
Handouts, manuscript	0-15	
Visual aids	0-5	
Appropriate Summary	0-5	
Presentation consistent with audience level	0-10	
Questions/discussion handled appropriately	0-10	
	Total	

Comments:

13.4 HOUSE OFFICER BLOCK EVALUATION FORM (through E*Value)

House Officer Evaluation Form in E-Value

Needs Improvement
Satisfactory
Good
Excellent
Not Applicable

Professional Ability					
Theoretical Knowledge					
Knowledge Application Skills					

