

The Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in coordination with the Veterinary Medical Centre (VMC) is offering two one-year rotating internship positions with a starting date of July 1, 2018. The interns will participate in rotations in large animal internal medicine, large animal surgery, ambulatory medicine (Field Service) and theriogenology, and will work with equine as well as food and fiber patients (beef and dairy cattle, South American camelids, small ruminants). As part of the internship, interns will provide after-hours coverage and patient care in the large animal hospital in support of existing emergency services. The internship offers an excellent opportunity for broad-based learning and practical experience under the supervision of experienced specialists in the individual disciplines. The VMC is a fully equipped teaching hospital with direct access to a diagnostic laboratory and necropsy facility.

This internship is designed to improve diagnostic and therapeutic as well as patient care skills. The VMC cares for approximately 4500 animals/year, with approximately 1/3 seen by in-house services and 2/3 on Field Service. Rotating interns will work with other discipline-specific interns and residents in clinical training programs, and in some services will have primary case responsibility under the mentorship of senior faculty clinicians. In addition to their clinical responsibilities, interns are expected to provide assistance in the instruction and supervision of final year veterinary students in the clinic. Interns are also permitted and encouraged to participate in pathology seminars, weekly lecture series, and special lectures offered throughout the year. Interns participate in a graduate seminar series twice yearly, and each intern is required to present one seminar to an audience of faculty, staff and students. Interns are encouraged to prepare a clinical report suitable for publication. Access to a medical library, a selection of current medical textbooks, the internet and search engines for scientific literature searches is provided.

Applicants must hold a DVM degree or equivalent, and acceptance to the internship program is conditional on meeting the admission requirements of the University of Saskatchewan's College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (<https://grad.usask.ca/admissions/admission-requirements.php#Minimumadmissionrequirements>). The salary is \$27,000 (Canadian) for the year; the licensing fee to the Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association and the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association is paid by the college. Interns receive 3 weeks of vacation. The position starts July 1, 2018 with an intern orientation commencing approximately one week previously.

Applicants should submit a letter of intent (personal statement), curriculum vitae, official transcripts, proof of English language proficiency (if applicable) and 2 letters of reference **by March 1, 2018** to

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Please also contact Dr. Lohmann with any questions you may have about the position. A personal interview (e.g. Skype) may be requested.

**The Location:**

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine services the four western provinces of Canada as well as the northern jurisdictions. The WCVM is located in the vibrant and economically booming city of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city of about a quarter of a million people in the heart of the prairies, and one of the sunniest cities in Canada. Saskatoon is an excellent place to live if you like the outdoors and activities such as hiking, canoeing and skiing. It is close to many lakes and parks, and offers an abundance of year-round activities and events. The city has an international airport, symphony orchestra, art gallery, riverbank walks, cross country ski trails and First Nation world-heritage site. To the North lies the boreal forest and the Canadian Shield. Banff and the Rockies are eight hours to the west. Important farming enterprises are grain, oilseed, specialty crops and beef cattle. There are many horses used mainly for pleasure, cattle work or racing. For more information on Saskatoon, please visit [www.tourismsaskatoon.com](http://www.tourismsaskatoon.com).

The college, which is about 50 years old, has undergone a major expansion and renovation and exists almost entirely in one building that houses both the small and large animal clinic with a central shared diagnostic core. Facilities include diagnostic imaging (digital radiography, ultrasound, MRI, CT, nuclear scintigraphy), clinical pathology, an excellent diagnostic pathology service, microbiology, virology, parasitology, immunology and world class immunohistochemistry. Board certified specialists are available for consultation in the areas of internal medicine, neurology, dermatology, dentistry, theriogenology, surgery, ophthalmology, radiology, pathology, zoo medicine, pathology, clinical pathology and clinical pharmacology. Approximately 80 students are admitted each year to the DVM program. The College also includes 140 graduate students, interns and residents. It is part of a comprehensive academic health sciences group on the university campus, with access to facilities including the PET CT, Canadian Light Source and the Biomedical Beamline. For further information, please visit [www.usask.ca/wcvm](http://www.usask.ca/wcvm).

**The Veterinary Medical Centre (VMC):**

The VMC has undergone substantial expansion and renovation, and is an outstanding state-of-the-art facility serving western Canada as a busy AVMA and AAHA accredited teaching hospital and referral centre. There are specialists in surgery, internal medicine, neurology, anesthesia, medical imaging, ophthalmology, dentistry, medical oncology, radiation oncology, and rehabilitation. Modern large surgical suites, a 320 slice CT scanner, MRI (low field standing and high field), ultrasound, nuclear scintigraphy, and linear accelerator are available in house. A new Equine Mare and Foal Facility has recently been completed.

**Other Information:**

Interns are required to enroll in the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies into an Experiential Learning Non-Degree Graduate Program in the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine. Successful applicants receive a bursary from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine to cover the entire cost of their application to the College of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, tuition and student fees, as well as their licensing fees with the Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association and the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association. Upon successful completion of the program, an internship certificate is awarded.