Large Animal Rotating Internship

This rotating internship is designed to encourage candidates to strengthen expertise in large animal medicine, surgery, anesthesia, reproduction, herd health, and rehabilitation. Two interns will be selected from the applicant pool. One of the intern selections will be designed to encourage candidates that are diverse in either race, ethnicity, religion, or gender preference to strengthen expertise in large animal medicine, surgery, anesthesia, reproduction, herd health, and rehabilitation. The program is designed to provide a broad, well-balanced exposure to large animal species including horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, llamas and alpacas. The interns will rotate through farm animal medicine and surgery, equine medicine, equine surgery and rehabilitation, farm animal and equine field services, anesthesia, and emergency and critical care services. Interns may also select rotations of special interest such as reproduction and ophthalmology. The Interns may choose between a broad program and a program more weighted toward a specific focus in farm animal or equine. They will receive considerable hands-on experience under the direct supervision of senior faculty/board certified specialists. Interns participate in the clinical emergency schedule; however, they are always backed up by senior staff. The goal of the program is to provide as much case experience as possible by encouraging independent decision making, practice of procedural skills, communication with clients and veterinarians, and instruction of senior veterinary students, all while receiving support and guidance from senior staff.

Interns participate in educational activities including resident/intern seminars, section seminars, college conferences and seminars, and daily rounds. Seminars in various specialties are also offered regularly, such as ophthalmology, cardiology, radiology, oncology and critical care and emergency medicine. Additional exposure to journal clubs, morbidity and mortality rounds, and pathology rounds, is also available. The intern will be expected to present an in-depth case report during faculty grand rounds at least one time during the year. The intern will be expected to assist in teaching veterinary students and veterinary technician students in the field on calls, in the classroom, in daily rounds, and in laboratories. The intern will be expected to develop an interesting equine case into a report suitable for publication by the end of the program.

Interns are given 10 personal leave days per year and share holiday schedules with other interns and residents. Interns are not required to obtain a license in the State of Tennessee. A required orientation program begins each year on June 15; the last day of the internship is June 30. Annual leave cannot be taken in June at the end of the program.
The University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture, is committed to equal employment opportunity and affirmative action. Due to funding limitations, this position is **open only to the following applicants**:

- US citizens or permanent residents (Green Card)
- Those that do not require a VISA to work in the United States
- Those eligible for a Mexican or Canadian NAFTA Professional Worker (TN) VISA

For more details, please contact the authorized administrative official at The University of Tennessee:

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