



Job Description

College/Management Unit	College of Health and Agricultural Sciences
School/Unit	School of Veterinary Medicine
Post Title & Subject Area (if relevant)	Resident in Large Animal Surgery
Post Duration	3/4 years
Grade	Postgraduate student
Closing date	28 April 2021

Position Summary

The School of Veterinary Medicine, University College Dublin invites applications for the position of Resident in Large Animal Surgery to commence early September 2021

This is a three/four-year training position with the following aims:

- To provide clinical training in the field of large animal surgery in an approved residency programme.
- To obtain a professional doctorate.
- To provide an introduction to and experience in clinical research.
- To develop communication and teaching skills.

The Resident will be expected to enrol and successfully complete certification for the Diploma of the European College of Veterinary Surgery – Large Animal (ECVS-LA).

They must also enrol for a postgraduate professional doctorate qualification (Doctor of Veterinary Medical Specialisation - DVMS). There will be a formal Stage Transfer Assessment for the professional doctorate at approximately 18 months.

The successful applicant will have a veterinary qualification registrable by the Veterinary Council of Ireland (see www.vci.ie). A special interest in achieving further qualifications in large animal surgery is required. Applicants must have completed a one-year internship or a minimum of 2 years of relevant clinical experience as required by the European College of Veterinary Surgery (<https://www.ecvs.org/home/>).

Stipend: €24,000 – 26,000 depending on year of registration

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The Resident has a clinical training commitment of at least 36 weeks per annum. The remainder of the available time (12 weeks excluding holidays) is for other scholarly activities including the conduct of a research programme, the writing of publications, participation in taught modules, attending conferences and other training opportunities, including externships.

Activities include:

- Regular communication with clients/referring veterinary surgeons
- Development of practical skills pertinent to the Dip ECVS-LA
- Participation in relevant research projects aiming for at least two publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals and submission of a DVMS thesis
- Regular participation in out-of-hours duties
- Teaching veterinary and veterinary nursing students during their clinical rotations
- Attendance at and participation in rounds, journal clubs, seminars and taught modules relevant for Dip ECVS-LA and DVMS
- Provision of support for Interns and veterinary nurses
- Management of case, procedure and activity logs as dictated by the requirements of the ECVS-LA and DVMS
- Other tasks considered appropriate by their line management

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria outline the qualifications, skills, knowledge and/or experience that the successful candidate would need to demonstrate for successful discharge of the responsibilities of the post. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how well candidates satisfy these criteria.

Mandatory

- A veterinary qualification eligible for registration with the Veterinary Council of Ireland (see www.vci.ie)
- Completion of at least a one-year internship or a minimum of 2 years of relevant clinical experience (as per ECVS-LA guidelines)
- Demonstration of a clear interest in large animal surgery and in obtaining further qualifications in the discipline
- A clear proven interest in clinical research
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work in a multidisciplinary team
- Proficient speaking and writing skills in the English language

Desirable

- A demonstrable interest in undergraduate teaching
- Proven track record in presenting and teaching
- A postgraduate qualification and evidence of prior publications
- Motivation to succeed

Further Information for Candidates

The University: www.ucd.ie
The School/Programme Office: www.ucd.ie/vetmed

Relocation and Interview Expenses

☒ Will not apply

Candidates are encouraged to attend the interview in person.

Informal Enquiries ONLY to:

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Application procedure

Candidates should forward the following items to the section administrator emma.golding@ucd.ie **by 17.00 Wednesday 28 April 2021**:

- Electronic copy of current curriculum vitae
- Letter of intent
- Proof of English proficiency
- Contact details for two referees

Short-listed applicants will be contacted regarding interviews. These are likely to be held (on-line) in early May 2021.