



Internship in Veterinary Ophthalmology at the University of Zürich, Switzerland

The University of Zürich, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine is accepting applications from qualified individuals for a one-year clinical ophthalmology internship. This program will begin October 1st, 2018 and has the goal to provide a successful candidate with an intensive clinical and surgical training experience related to the practice of comparative veterinary ophthalmology. In addition, the program will help prepare the candidate for admission into an ophthalmology residency training program. The internship includes the responsibility for hospital patients and training in the medical and surgical aspects of veterinary ophthalmology, including large and small domestic animals, non-domestic and laboratory animals. The ophthalmology-dedicated intern will work alongside the three diplomates and the two residents of the section for veterinary ophthalmology and take primary care of in-patients. The secondary objectives are to introduce the intern to ophthalmic research and to develop effective clinical and didactic teaching skills. The intern will therefore assist in the instruction of veterinary medical students. The intern will have the opportunity to participate for non-credit hours in didactic teaching seminars (journal club, literature review and ocular histopathology rounds) which are provided to the ophthalmology residents. The Ophthalmology-dedicated intern will also be required to participate in the ongoing clinical research within the section and in in-house presentations, rounds and seminars. The responsibility for our ophthalmology emergency duty (excluding nights) is shared with two ophthalmology residents.

Pre-requisites for acceptance into the program are:

1. DVM degree or equivalent.
2. One year general internship or two years postgraduate experience are preferable.
3. A fair to good command of the German language is imperative to be able to function in a clinical situation with frequent and intensive doctor-client contacts.

The following application materials are required:

1. A personal statement describing background, reasons for applying to the internship and career goals.
2. Current curriculum vitae
3. One to two letters of recommendation from faculty members or practitioners who have worked directly with the candidate. These letters should address aptitude and performance in intellectual and creative pursuits pertinent to scientific research, knowledge of veterinary medicine, clinical skills, ability to apply knowledge in a clinical situation, and ability to communicate and work with others. These letters should be sent directly by the letter writer to the application address below; they should not be forwarded by the applicant.



4. Veterinary School transcript. A scanned copy or a scanned copy from your school's website is sufficient. An official transcript is not needed.

Applications must be received by April 30th, 2018. Application materials should be sent electronically to: spot@vetclinics.uzh.ch or to: kvoelter@vetclinics.uzh.ch

All applications will be reviewed. If necessary, two to three finalists will be notified and invited for an interview, either in person or by phone, in May/June 2018. The Intern will be selected and notified by the end of June 2018.