Residency in Veterinary Clinical Pathology

Required/Preferred Qualifications

Qualifications for the Veterinary Clinical Pathology Residency at the University of Minnesota include a DVM or VMD Degree from an accredited college of veterinary medicine or comparable foreign institution and successful completion of a one-year rotating internship or equivalent practice experience. Qualified applicants should submit a letter stating their reasons for selecting a residency program including their career goals and interests, current curriculum vitae inclusive of a synopsis of educational background, employment experience, and class standing with grade point average, a university certified transcript and three letters of recommendation from individuals knowledgeable of academic performance and clinical skills.

Duties/Responsibilities

The primary duties and responsibilities of the resident cover a broad spectrum of activities related to their clinical training. Residents are expected to participate in teaching the clinical pathology class and laboratory for sophomore students and the Laboratory Medicine rotation for senior veterinary students. Participation in departmental seminars and training sessions in gross, microscopic, and clinical pathology is expected.

Program/Unit Description

The Veterinary Clinical Pathology Residency at the University of Minnesota is a 3-year program that conforms to the guidelines of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists (ACVP) and is designed to fulfill the residency training requirements of the ACVP. Its purpose is to provide the resident with a comprehensive, in-depth educational experience in all aspects of Veterinary Clinical Pathology. Preference will be given to candidates with clinical and research experience and/or experience related to clinical pathology. Anticipated start date is July 16, 2012. For fullest consideration, application must be received by December 1, 2011. The position will remain open until filled.

Candidate selection is based on strength of academic record, level and quality of experience and commitment to a career in veterinary pathology. Annual salary is \$28,500 for the 1st year, \$29,500 for the 2nd year, and \$30,500 for the 3rd year. FICA, state and federal income taxes are withheld. Benefits include: health insurance, 15 days of vacation per year, professional liability insurance, time off to attend one professional meeting per year, and parking in close proximity to the CVM. Laboratory coats and surgical scrubs are supplied.

A diverse faculty including 3 clinical pathologists with predominantly clinical to predominantly research appointments supports residency training. There is a high quality, high volume clinical caseload with an emphasis on small animal cytology/hematology stemming from internal medicine and oncology. Graduate research opportunities, if desired, include but are not limited to NIH funded research projects in musculoskeletal disease, stem cell biology, infectious disease, and cancer research. Additional clinical and applied research opportunities are also available with ongoing projects involving the diagnostic use of biomarkers and companion animal cytology, hematology, and clinical chemistry.

The University houses five professional schools and colleges in addition to the College of Veterinary Medicine, including a School of Medicine. The opportunity exists to attend their pathology rounds and conferences. The College of Veterinary Medicine has an excellent library containing an extensive collection of reference material.

With a population of nearly three million, the Minneapolis/St Paul metropolitan area offers urban living at its best, with a blend of big-city sophistication and small-town security and comfort. Just outside the city are great opportunities for outdoor recreation, including hiking, boating, and camping.

Application Instructions

To apply, visit <u>https://employment.umn.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=90452</u>

Reference letters and transcripts should be mailed to: Director of Clinical Pathology Residencies, Veterinary Clinical Sciences Department, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Minnesota, C339 VMC, 1352 Boyd Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108. For additional information please contact Dr. Leslie Sharkey at shark009@umn.edu.