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## Internship-Program

The Clinic of Small Animal Surgery and Reproduction offers an internship for graduated veterinarians.

The internship lasts at least 15 months and contains a rotation through all services including various sectors of small animal surgery, as reproduction, ophthalmology, intensive care, emergency service, anaesthesia and radiology, so that a substantial degree of basic training can be achieved. As part of the internship a dissertation should be made or a scientific study should be supervised.

The internship is not only required for the application for a residency program, but also is a great starting point for subsequent educational programs, such as the specialisation for small animals or small animal surgery, and provides a good qualification level with regard to daily veterinarian practice.

Qualifications required to participate in the internship-programme:

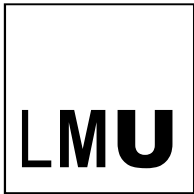
1. Veterinary degree
2. No concluded promotion (no doctoral degree yet)
3. Very good German language skills (written and spoken)
4. English language skills are desirable

The veterinary diploma needs to be officially translated into German. Candidates from abroad need to submit their residence permit or a visa valid for the duration of the internship program. These formalities should be taken care of in the candidates' home country. The necessary invitational letter, which needs to be displayed at the administrative authorities, will be issued by the clinic after admission to the programme.

### Application

Candidates must send an application to the head of the clinic, which includes the following documents:

1. Curriculum vitae
2. Occupational goals
3. Record of study and credentials
4. Veterinary diploma, and allowance to work as a veterinarian in Germany
5. Letter of recommendation (if available)
6. Photo



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### Duration

The duration of the internship is at least 15 months (working time: 50 %) and starts at various times throughout the year.

### Programme

The veterinarians taking part in the internship program will rotate through the following departments or sectors:

- Reproduction/ophthalmology
- Diagnostic imaging
- Anaesthesia
- Outpatient clinic, ward
- Surgery
- Intensive care

The person in charge of the program will arrange the rotation-schedule. Personal preferences can not be considered. Generally, in each service there will be an experienced assistant, who supervises, advises, and guides the younger veterinarians. Interns are integrated into the education of veterinary students at the university.

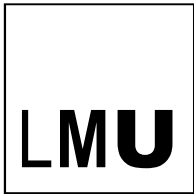
During the reproduction and ophthalmology rotation (each Monday and Wednesday afternoon) ambulatory and in-patients are examined and treated. Diagnosis and therapeutic plans are then discussed with a more experienced assistant or professor.

At the radiology service radiographs are taken and interpreted with the help of a resident or diplomate. Concerning diagnostic imaging there are two digital X-ray machines available, as well as a new CT, an MRI, a scintigraph, and various ultrasound machines.

During the anaesthesia rotation interns examine patients prior to the operations and discuss the applicable anaesthetic protocol with the specialised veterinarian anaesthesiologists. The patients are then anesthetised and monitored intra-and postoperatively.

In the outpatient clinic interns are assigned to a certain team. During the consultation hours new patients are presented that need to be examined. Further diagnostic work up, like radiographs and blood work, are discussed and performed. The final decision about further treatment is made together with an assistant, senior assistant, or professor. In the OR the intern assists a professor or senior assistant and gets an introduction to the applied surgical technique. Interns take part in the treatment of team-associated stationary and intensive care patients.

Interns need to take part in the out-of-hour service on weekdays, weekends or bank holidays. After consulting the assistant on-duty, they are responsible for the stationary patients at night and the pre-examination of incoming emergency cases. The day following a night-shift is off and considered as compensatory spare-time. The intern leader is responsible for the shift-schedule after consulting with the other interns.



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In the course of the internship each intern is given one month as off-time. This official spare time should be used for literature reading, working on the doctoral dissertation or making holiday

#### Further education

Apart from the daily work (working time 50 %) educational events are taking place in the afternoons. A regular participation is demanded.

In the afternoon from Monday 'til Wednesday, interns and students will discuss radiographic images, associated with cases from the clinic, with one of the specialised radiologists.

A journal-club under the supervision of a diplomate is taking place for the surgical residents on Tuesday and Wednesday evening. Selected topics are presented and discussed in English. An active participation on the side of the interns is required.

Thursday afternoon is reserved for practical training in the different areas of small animal surgery.

The clinic is equipped with a library containing all relevant journals available to the interns. The interns also have access to the faculties library. Several scientific journals are available over the universities internet access. A room for doctorates and interns, equipped with several computers, can be used when preparing cases for discussions or presentations.