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| Date: | 9/7/2021 | | |
| House Officer Type: | Internship | | |
| Service Line: | Small Animal Medicine & Surgery Rotating internship | | |
| Number of positions available for 2022: | 5 | | |
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| The University of Georgia Small Animal Rotating Internship provides rotations through internal medicine, soft tissue surgery, orthopedic surgery, anesthesia, radiology, oncology, neurology, cardiology, community practice, zoological medicine, as well as daytime and overnight emergency/critical care. In addition, at least two 3-week blocks (6 weeks) of elective time are provided. Potential electives include the aforementioned rotations along with dermatology, ophthalmology, pathology, and a preapproval-required research block.  The internship will start at 8:00am Friday, June 17, 2022 and be completed at the end of business on Sunday, June 25, 2023. Interns assume primary care responsibilities for patients under the supervision of faculty. They are expected to actively participate in the daily activities of their assigned services, including rounds participation as well as the supervision and instruction of veterinary students assigned to hospital duty. On a rotating basis with nine other interns, interns also provide after-hours weekend (Saturday day through Sunday evening) and holiday emergency care to patients presenting to the small animal teaching hospital including dogs, cats, exotic pets, and wildlife. Day time emergency rotation shifts are Monday to Friday and supervised under the guidance of DACVECC faculty and house officers. In-hospital support by ER/CC house officers and faculty is provided for late evening and weekend daytime after-hours emergency duties. In addition, a robust resident and faculty based backup system is supported by all hospital specialties and is available to interns at all times during overnight and weekend emergency duty. Interns are required to attend bi-weekly didactic rounds and journal club reviews. Additionally, interns are encouraged to attend topical seminars in various departments, weekly seminars, & special lectures through the year. Interns are required to prepare and present a 20 to 30-minute seminar in a department wide intern lecture series at the end of their program. Performance of a research project is not required, but is highly encouraged during the internship.  The UGA rotating internship is overseen by a Training Committee comprised of 4 clinical faculty who work to support the interns, organize didactic rounds, and coordinate regular intern performance evaluations. Within the first month of the internship, interns can either select or choose to be assigned a faculty mentor from any discipline of the College to work with throughout their intern year. | | | |
| Questions about the program should be directed to: | | Andrew Bugbee, Chair of Intern Training Committee |
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| **All Applicants**  The successful candidate will be licensed to practice by virtue of a faculty license. This license permits veterinarians from non-AVMA-accredited veterinary schools to practice within UGA graduate programs, and may be obtained without examination. Whereas the regular Georgia state veterinary license requires graduation from an AVMA-accredited veterinary school or successful completion of the ECVFG program, this is not a requirement for the faculty license. A faculty license enables the license holder to practice only within the scope of the residency program. Professional liability insurance is covered only for work performed as a UGA resident; it is the resident’s responsibility to acquire professional liability insurance for work outside of the residency program.  Proof of medical insurance coverage and proof of immunization for measles, mumps, rubella, chicken pox, tetanus, hepatitis B, and rabies are required. Health insurance is required and is the financial responsibility of the individual. Medical insurance is available through the Graduate School at a reasonable rate, but may be waived if proof of coverage is provided. Coverage through the Graduate School will be available beginning August 1, 2022. Please visit the following website for additional information regarding health insurance fees <https://hr.uga.edu/students/student-health-insurance/>.  Be advised that the UGA policy will not take effect until August 1, 2022, so you will need to independently obtain health insurance to cover yourself from July 14, 2022, until August 1, 2022.  For every 12 months of training, 10 days of vacation time are provided for House Officers (Residents/Interns), as well as up to 12 days of sick leave. The intern class splits ER coverage responsibilities during the holiday break between approximately December 22, 2022 and January 3, 2023, so an additional 4-6 days of leave are provided during this time.  This is a non-certificate graduate program, leading to an official University certificate of completion. A one-time application fee of $75 ($100 for international students) and tuition and student fees (approximately $3000/year) are the responsibility of the individual selected for the program. Required fees allow access to the Ramsey Student Activities Center (sports complex) and Gilbert Student Health Center, as well as access to student tickets for athletic and cultural events. Access to student services is not accessible until the fall semester begins. Parking fees (approximately $240/year) are an additional expense and can be payroll deducted (monthly or yearly).  House Officers (Residents/Interns) at the University of Georgia are classified as graduate students, and thus for the purpose of the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program are not considered to be full time employees. The University of Georgia does not participate in the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program. Please consider this information if you desire to participate in the Public Service Loan Forgiveness or other loan repayment programs.  **International Applicants**  International applicants are required to provide two official/certified copies of their academic records from each institution of higher education that the applicant has attended. These records must include all course work. Photocopies are not acceptable. Separate proof of degrees is also required. If the original language of the academic record is not English, a certified English translation must be attached to the original. Applicants who graduated from a non-English language veterinary school must submit official TOEFL scores (see [http://www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org/) for details). These scores must not be more than two years old. Foreign applicants who have completed a year of academic study in the US can provide a university transcript in lieu of TOEFL scores. A valid US driving license is required. International applicants are required to arrive three weeks prior to residency start date in order to obtain social security number, veterinary licensure, and driving license.  International students matching to our program must participate in a mandatory health insurance program provided by the University of Georgia (information can be found at: https://hr.uga.edu/students/student-health-insurance/mandatory-plan/). Proof of immunization for measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus, chicken pox, hepatitis and rabies is required.  It is crucial that international candidates consider application processing times well ahead of the program start date. Please note that it may take up to 10 days to obtain a social security number. Information about this process can be found at [2019 ISL Student Resources\_10/31 (uga.edu)](https://isl.uga.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2020/09/Social_Security_Office-TheBasics.pdf). A social security number is required in order to apply for a Georgia veterinary faculty license, and it may take up to 30 additional days to receive this license. More detailed information for international candidates is available through the Office of Global Engagement ([https://globalengagement.uga.edu](https://globalengagement.uga.edu/)). Offers to international applicants are contingent upon successful application for the appropriate visa.  **Additional Information** The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, or veteran status in its programs or activities.  The UGA College of Veterinary Medicine is committed to enhancing the diversity, equity and inclusion of the College and the Veterinary Profession.  Please refer to the following website which includes answers to most frequently asked questions as well as additional information about our program: <https://vet.uga.edu/education/intern-residency-programs/intern-residency-programs/>  In-person and telephone interviews are NOT permitted and therefore are NOT used in the selection process. Applications MUST be complete in the VIRMP system by the VIRMP deadline to be considered. Materials processed by the VIRMP after the deadline will not be reviewed, and applications will be considered incomplete. If you have submitted all of your materials to the VIRMP by the deadline, but they have not been processed, please contact the VIRMP directly. All applications must be made through the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program, further details available from www.virmp.org.  Please email for further information on this program or refer to the Department’s website (<https://vet.uga.edu/education/academic-departments/small-animal-medicine-and-surgery/>).  The UGA Veterinary Teaching Hospital tour:  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zMIR0Ayz6ys&feature=youtu.be>. | | |