SWEP

Summer Work Experience Program

Make a difference in a veterinary student's future. Hire a student for the whole summer, or consider a one or two-week involvement in a hospital/clinic rotation with one or more colleagues in your area. This would also give the student great exposure to the practice environment in your area.

Why employ a veterinary student this summer?

1. Develop relationships with potential future associates.
2. Provide the student with an invaluable and realistic experience.
3. Take an active part in reducing student debt load.
4. They are eager to learn from you, giving you an enthusiastic employee.

Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP) helps second and third-year students gain valuable real-world experience and minimizes student debt load. It allows the participating practitioner to directly participate in the educational experience as well as to get to know future associates. Though it may seem a little early to be thinking about next summer, the students need to know about summer employment opportunities prior to committing themselves to externships and summer clinics. SWEP is a collaboration of the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA), veterinary students at UC Davis and Western University of Health Sciences.

How does the program work?

Fill out the information on the reverse and return it to the CVMA by **January 7, 2013**. The information you provide will be available in the student area on **www.cvma.net** and also in the Student Programs office at the schools. The students will check for employment opportunities and contact you directly.

Thank you for your active involvement in providing an outstanding opportunity for your future colleagues. If you have any questions, please email the CVMA Student Programs Liaison at lphillips@cvma.net.

Excerpts from the California Veterinary Practice Act

Opportunities and Limitations:

First- and second-year students may practice as unregistered assistants. Third- and fourth-year students may practice as registered veterinary technicians. A student becomes a second- or third-year student upon completion of his or her course of study the first and second years – i.e.: They are third-year students during the summer between their second and third years.

Section 2036: Animal Hospital Health Care Tasks for RVTs

(b) An RVT may perform the following procedures only under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

- Induce anesthesia
- Apply casts and splints
- Perform dental extractions
- Suture cutaneous and subcutaneous tissues, gingival and oral mucous membranes
- Create a relief hole in the skin to facilitate placement of an intravascular catheter

(c) Subject to the provisions of subsection(s) (a), (b) and (c) of this section, an RVT may perform animal health care tasks under the direct or indirect supervision of a licensed veterinarian. The degree of supervision by a licensed veterinarian over a RVT shall be consistent with the standards of good veterinary medical practices.

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Practice: _____ # of DVMs in practice: _____

Practice Owner: _____

Practice Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Website: _____

Practice type: ❍ Small Animal ❍ Small/Exotic ❍ Exotic ❍ Mixed (small & large)

❍ Large Animal (please check all that apply):

❍ Dairy ❍ Equine ❍ Beef ❍ Poultry ❍ Sheep ❍ Goats ❍ Swine ❍ Llama/Alpaca

Specialty practice: _____

What length of time are you willing to employ a student?

❍ 1 week ❍ 2 weeks ❍ 3 weeks ❍ 4 weeks ❍ 5 weeks ❍ 6 weeks ❍ more than 6 weeks

❍ Other (specify) _____ Best time student can reach you: _____

Housing available? ❍ Yes ❍ No If yes, briefly explain accommodations: _____

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Hourly wage range? $ _____ to $ _____

Additional comments: _____

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Did you hire a student through this program last year? ❍ Yes ❍ No

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Please return completed form by January 7, 2013.

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