



Residency in small animal emergency and critical care

The Division of Emergency and Critical Care, Department of Small Animal Medicine, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Liège, Belgium, offers a position for a Resident in small animal emergency and critical care, starting September 1, 2021.

This residency position offers an ECVECC approved 3-year residency training programme. Candidates should have successfully completed a one-year rotating internship (or have at least two years of experience in small animal practice, preferably with a focus in emergency/critical care). They should have basic knowledge of the French and English languages and be willing to improve these language skills as needed to efficiently communicate with patients' owners.

The programme is supervised by two ECC-Diplomates (1 ECVECC and 1 ACVECC); multiple Diplomates of other EBVS Colleges are available on site. The resident will work in both the emergency and the intensive care services. Out-of-hours, including weekends, evenings and overnights, will be required as per residency training requirements and the needs of the department. The resident will take primary responsibility for ECC cases. The ICU accomodates patients arriving both through the emergency services, as well as patients coming from other services. The resident will be involved in clinical teaching of students and will have some responsibility for advising interns. The residency programme includes weekly journal clubs, regular book reading clubs, clinical research projects and rotations in other specialties to acquire profound knowledge and skills.

The applicant should have a passion for ECC and excellent communication and organizational skills. Residency programmes can be academically challenging: the applicant should have a strong foundation in core veterinary principles and the commitment to explore advanced concepts in emergency and critical care, including complex pathophysiology. The ability to work as part of a team is a requirement. While the ability to remain calm and make decisions under pressure is desirable, we appreciate that a fundamental part of a residency programme is to help residents develop these skills: the applicant should have the ability to learn.

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Liège is located outside of the city center on a hilly slope, which represents the start of the beautiful Ardennes. The University has a newly built and well-equipped hospital: separate canine and feline intensive care unit, medium care, isolation and hospitalization wards; several POCUS-reserved ultrasound devices, as well as an imaging service with full and comprehensive ultrasound, digital X-ray, CT & MRI scan; endoscopy (gastrointestinal, respiratory and cystoscopy), urethral pressure profilometry,

The small animal clinic has a caseload of roughly 13000 consultations per year, of which 3500 are emergency consultations. The team consists of over

80 veterinarians, including 5 diplomates in surgery (ECVS), 4 in internal medicine (ECVIM-CA), 2 in diagnostic imaging (ECVDI), 2 in ophthalmology (ECVO), 1 in cardiology (ECVIM-CA Cardio), 1 in neurology (ECVN), 1 in dermatology (ECVD), 1 in reproduction (ECAR), and 1 in nutrition (ECVCN).

For additional information please contact Kris Gommeren (Kris.gommeren@uliege.be). Applications should include an updated curriculum vitae, a letter of intent and the name of 3 referees. Referees may then email their letters of reference directly. Deadline for applications is April 2nd, 2021.

Selected candidates will be invited for an interview.

Applications and reference letters must be sent by mail to dr. Kris Gommeren (kris.gommeren@uliege.be), with a copy to Nadine Fis (nadine.fis@uliege.be).