

Department of Small Animals
Department of Large Animal Surgery, Anaesthesia and Orthopaedics

Announcement:

Standard Residency Position in Veterinary Anaesthesia & Analgesia

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Ghent University offers two positions for a standard residency in Veterinary Anaesthesia & Analgesia (Supervisors: Stijn Schauvliege, Dipl. ECVAA and Patricia de la Paz Ruíz López, Dipl. ECVAA).

Start: 22/09/2025

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Ghent University is an academic teaching institution with well-equipped facilities for research and patient care, a high case load in both small and large animals, board certified specialists in various disciplines, state-of-the-art equipment and high quality supporting services.

The residency position is a 3 years (optional 4th year) programme designed to provide advanced clinical training in veterinary anaesthesia and analgesia. It is supported by two EBVS® European Specialists in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia. This programme should permit the resident to achieve the requirements established by the **European College of Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia** (**ECVAA**), for board certification. Upon completion of the programme, the resident is expected to study towards the **European Diploma in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia** (www.ecvaa.org).

A major portion of the residency will be spent on clinical rotations to perform anaesthesia of, and provide analgesia to, large and small animals (including emergency duties) on site. The time on clinics will be divided equally over large and small animals throughout the residency. Regular journal clubs, as well as seminars and clinical conferences will be part of the programme. The resident will also be involved in clinical teaching of students and interns. The resident is further expected to produce at least two original papers and submit these to a refereed journal prior to completion of the residency. Personal development time is provided for this and to study for the ECVAA examination.

Applicants are expected to have substantial experience in clinical veterinary medicine, preferentially in both large and small animals. The minimum requirement is a successfully completed rotating internship of at least 12 months duration or an equivalent experience, before the scheduled start of the residency. A special interest in and knowledge of basic physics and physiology are an advantage. Further, candidates are expected to function well in a team. They need to have good knowledge of English to pass the certifying exam. Knowledge of Dutch and French at the beginning of the residency is desirable for proper communication with clients and the team, though not essential.

Applications should include

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Veterinary licensing documentation
- Certificates (internship diploma, exam results)
- Two letters of recommendation

In principle there is no reimbursement of expenses generated by a possible interview of the candidate.

Appointments will be made for 12 months, with annual renewal based on satisfactory completion of the previous year.

The deadline for application is the 30th of April 2025.

Applications are to be sent through email to:

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Further information concerning the residency programme can be found on the website of the ECVAA (www.ecvaa.org)