

Residency Training Programme in Equine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Ghent University offers a position for a residency of the European College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (equine track)

Start: 1 April 2024; deadline for application: 28 February 2024

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Ghent University is an academic teaching institution with facilities for research and animal care. The hospital has an impressive and varied case load, board-certified specialists in various disciplines, state-of-the-art equipment and high-quality supporting services. The residency position is a standard 3-year programme designed to provide advanced clinical training in Equine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation, which should permit the resident to achieve the requirements for board certification established by the ECVSMR. A major portion of the residency will be spent in equine sports medicine/orthopaedics /rehabilitation, with additional rotations in equine surgery, diagnostic imaging and internal medicine, as well as a rotation in small animals. Daily rounds, regular journal clubs and participation in emergency duties including nights and weekends are part of the programme. The position requires involvement in practical education of veterinary students and interns. The resident is expected to perform clinical work and research to comply with the presentation and publication requirements of the College; publications should be submitted to a refereed journal prior to completion of the residency.

Applicants are expected to have substantial experience in clinical veterinary medicine. Only applicants who are a veterinary graduate of an EAEVE-approved veterinary school and are licensed or eligible to practice veterinary medicine in Belgium can be accepted for the programme; moreover, they should have successfully completed a one-year rotating internship or have spent at least two years in practice gaining clinical experience and skills equivalent to an internship in accordance with EBVS guidelines. Candidates are expected to function well in a team, be organized, flexible, and forward-thinking. Applicants should have a good level of English language; knowledge of Dutch or French is not essential but would be advantageous to effectively communicate with clients, students and referring veterinarians. Basic written and spoken command of Dutch and French would be expected after the first year of residency training. More general information regarding an ECVSMR residency training programme can be found online (<https://www.ecvsmr.org/certification/residency-programs/>) and in the ECVSMR Policies and Procedures (<https://www.ecvsmr.org/documents-forms/>).

Appointments will be made for 12 months, with annual renewal based on satisfactory completion of the previous year. Applications should be submitted to Maarten Oosterlinck (maarten.oosterlinck@UGent.be) and include a letter of intent, curriculum vitae, documentation of veterinary licensing, certificates (internship, language tests) and contact information of two references. There is no reimbursement of expenses generated by the interview of the candidate. Late applications will not be considered.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you need further information.

With kind regards,

Maarten Oosterlinck

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European Specialist in Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

