ACZM/ ECZM Residency Advertisement

A three year Residency in Zoological Medicine, commencing in August 2015, is jointly offered by the Wuppertal Zoo and the Department of Pathology of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover (TiHo Hannover).

The 30-months training in zoo veterinary medicine under the supervision of ACZM/ECZM Diplomate Dr. Kummrow is based at the Wuppertal Zoo and is complemented with a 6-months block of intensive pathology training supervised by ACVP or ECVP certified pathologists at the TiHo Hannover. Residents successfully completing this program will be eligible for the ACZM and/or ECZM and will have attained a broad and thorough training qualifying for involvement in a variety of careers with non-domestic animals in zoos, wildlife parks or research institutions.

The average annual salary is based on a full-time position in the labour agreement for public service of the city of Wuppertal (TVöD, EG 13). Tuition for enrollment at the TiHo Hannover and travel expenses for the commute between the institutions are paid by the resident.

Qualifications for the program include a DVM degree, a minimum of 1 year clinical experience and fluency in spoken and written German and English. Priority will be given to those fulfilling the following criteria:

- Completion of an accredited 1-year rotating internship or 2-3 years of practical experience in small, exotic/zoo animal, or mixed animal practice. General clinical competency is essential.
- Previous veterinary experience at a recognized zoological institution or research institutes with reference from the supervising veterinarian.
- Excellent academic records with previous research experience and veterinary publications.

The Wuppertal Zoo houses approx. 5000 specimens of 500 species. In addition to clinical work, the resident is involved in all aspects of zoological medicine, including prophylactic and quarantine measures, population management, nutrition of zoo animals, transport and translocations of animals, welfare and behavior of zoo animals, husbandry and exhibit design, research, conservation and public education. Participation in week-end duties and on-call service is expected. Additionally, the resident carries out necropsies. Follow-up pathology is completed in 0.5-1 day per week at the Department of Pathology at the TiHo Hannover working in consultation with the pathology advisors. The program also includes at least one research project. Fulfillment of the scientific publication requirements for the ACZM and/or ECZM examinations...
as well as presentations at national or international conferences will be strongly encouraged.

Application material should include a curriculum vitae, a letter of intent outlining special interest in this position with a statement of career goals, official transcripts of academic records from each institution of higher education that the applicant has attended and 3 letters of recommendation. German veterinary licensure will be required of the successful applicant.

Applications must be made until 21st of December 2014 to Dr. Maya Kummrow, Zoo Wuppertal, Hubertusallee 30, 42117 Wuppertal, Germany or electronically to kummrow@zoo-wuppertal.de.

For questions about this program, please contact Dr. Maya Kummrow.

Maya Kummrow
Dr.med.vet, DVSc, FTA Wildtiere (TB Zootiere)
Dipl. ACZM, Dipl. ECZM (Zoo Health Management)
Head of Veterinary Service, Vice Zool. Director
phone: +49 (0)202-563-3622 fax: +49 (0)202-563-8005
e-mail: kummrow@zoo-wuppertal.de