

Residency Training in Free-Living Wildlife Health

UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine & California Department of Fish and Wildlife

The Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Wildlife Health Laboratory are accepting applications for a residency position in free-ranging wildlife health, beginning August 1, 2022. This is a 3-year residency, which includes enrollment in the UC Davis Masters in Preventive Medicine Program; for applicants who already have a comparable advanced degree in epidemiology, a 2-year clinical and research option is possible. The resident will receive advanced training in the North American model of wildlife management; herd/population health monitoring and management (game and non-game); outbreak and mortality investigation; wildlife immobilization and handling; threatened and endangered species recovery; wildlife-livestock conflict; urban wildlife (including nuisance animal control); rehabilitation; toxicology; and pathology. Work will involve extensive local and statewide travel. The resident will contribute to clinical and didactic teaching of veterinary students. Upon successful completion, the resident will partially (or wholly, depending on prior work experience) fulfill requirements for credentialing to sit for the American College of Zoological Medicine (ACZM) board-certification examination. Applicants must possess: a DVM or equivalent degree; be in the early stages of their career (one to five years of post-DVM work experience); have a strong track record of interest in and familiarity with free-living wildlife health and wildlife management; and demonstrate clear intent to pursue a career in free-living wildlife health management and research. To apply, submit the following: a curriculum vitae, official veterinary school transcript, a letter of intent (≤ 750 words), and names and contact information for three references. Application materials should be emailed to kvgilardi@ucdavis.edu. Applications will be accepted until March 1, 2022, or until a suitable candidate is identified. The successful applicant will be informed by April 15, 2022. For additional information, email Kirsten Gilardi (kvgilardi@ucdavis.edu), Mike Ziccardi (mhziccardi@ucdavis.edu) or Deana Clifford (deana.clifford@wildlife.ca.gov). UC Davis is an AA/EOE.