



College Management Unit:	UCD College of Health & Agricultural Sciences
School Unit:	UCD School of Veterinary Medicine
Post Title & Subject Area (if relevant):	Intern in Farm Animal Clinical Studies
Post Duration:	Temporary 1 year post
Line Manager:	Head of School or Nominee
Grade:	House Surgeon
Competition Ref. N^o:	Arianna Eady
HR Administrator:	018552

Position Summary:

The UCD Veterinary Hospital is looking for a veterinary graduate, with a degree which can be registered with the Veterinary Council of Ireland. The position is as a Farm Animal Intern. The successful candidate will join an enthusiastic team of specialists in bovine health management, epidemiology, nutrition, food safety and reproduction. The internship will meet training requirements for the European College of Bovine Health Management (ECBHM).

Principal Duties and Responsibilities:

Students:

- Allocation of cases to students,
- Organising the student on call rota,
- Discussion of cases with students, in clinics and in tutorials as scheduled, including organising treatment responsibilities,
- Supervision and assistance of students during their clinical rotations, routine surgery and treatment rounds,
- Assisting with the assessment of veterinary students on rotation.

University College Dublin Veterinary Hospital:

- Clinical care of hospitalised in-patients, including the performance of surgeries and clinical diagnostic investigations in cattle, sheep, camelids, goats and pigs,
- Consultation with Senior Clinicians regarding treatment and care of patients,
- Discharging patients with appropriate advice and medication,
- Attend relevant ward rounds, journal clubs, seminars and meetings,
- Co-ordinating treatment lists with Senior Nurses, Residents and Senior Clinicians,
- Assisting Senior Clinicians with procedures,
- Performing routine diagnostic procedures with student assistance and/or staff supervision,
- Admission of routine cases in accordance with disease control regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine,
- Routine client and referring veterinary practitioner communication, together with senior clinicians, including advising clients regarding case progression, post-hospital care and case follow-up, by arrangement with Senior Clinicians,
- Informing clients of appropriate charges for services provided at the time of admission, and being instrumental in collecting same in conjunction with administrative staff,

- Maintaining hospital records, and checking that all appropriate information has been recorded daily including pricing of procedures on ProVet, with assistance of other staff,
- Keeping drugs medicines and instruments under secure conditions as directed by UCDVH policy; maintaining the treatments register and dangerous drugs record books,
- Make concerted efforts to develop and maintain good relationships with referring veterinary practitioners and clients, and help promote a positive image of the School/UCDVH,
- Willingness to drive to UCD Lyons Estate Farm, or private farms, for the treatment of sick animals or to perform surgeries or carry out herd health investigations/services as required in conjunction with student teaching,
- Maintain good lines of communication with your primary FACS supervisor,
- Ensure good transfer of case related information from week to week in the Hospital when there are change overs of lead clinician.

Night-time and weekend duties:

- Weekend and night-time duties will apply, and **include care for equine patients** including assisting in the anaesthesia, recovery and medical management of equine colics and other equine and farm animal emergencies,
- Interns will share on-call duty over the Christmas period.

Conditions specific to this post (if any):

- The appointee must have a veterinary degree which can be registered with the Veterinary Council of Ireland (limited registration is possible in certain circumstances).
- The start date for this role is 23rd July 2025.
- Contract is for one year (52 weeks), with the post ending on 22nd July 2026.
- There is no specific conference or training allowance associated with this position.

Salary: 95 House Surgeon_2010 (5212_X) - €33,576 Per Annum

Details on eligibility to compete and pension information is available at

<https://www.ucd.ie/hr/resourcing/eligibilitytocompete/>

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<https://www.ucd.ie/workatucd/diversity/>

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria outline the qualifications, skills, knowledge and/or experience that the successful candidate would need to demonstrate for successful discharge of the responsibilities of the post. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how well candidates satisfy these criteria.

Mandatory:

- Veterinary degree which can be registered with the Veterinary Council of Ireland (VCI) (<http://www.vci.ie>).
- Required level of spoken and written English, meeting VCI standards of proof.
- Excellent communication and inter-personal skills.
- Enthusiasm for the discipline of Farm Animal Clinical Studies, including internal medicine, surgery and herd health management.
- Willingness to work with horses and contribute to the equine emergency and on call team.
- Ability to work effectively as a team member.
- An interest in undergraduate teaching.
- Good computer skills and sound knowledge of Microsoft Office suite, email and the Internet.

Desirable:

- Experience of working in veterinary practice.
- Experience of clinical teaching in a farm animal setting.
- Experience of working with horses.

Supplementary Information:

The University:	https://www.ucd.ie/
UCD Strategy 2025-2030: Breaking Boundaries:	https://strategy.ucd.ie/
The College/Management Unit:	http://www.ucd.ie/collegesandschools/healthagriculturalsciences/
The School/Programme Office/Unit:	http://www.ucd.ie/vetmed/ http://www.ucd.ie/vthweb/
Equality Diversity and Inclusion at UCD:	https://www.ucd.ie/workatucd/diversity/

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