



SENIOR LECTURER POSITION (“OBERARZT / OBERÄRZTIN”) IN EQUINE INTERNAL MEDICINE

The Equine Department at the Vetsuisse Faculty, University of Zurich, Switzerland, is offering an 80-100% senior lecturer position in Equine Internal Medicine, starting Mai 1, 2022 or by specific arrangement. Duties will include clinical service with supervision of residents, interns and students (including emergency service), teaching, research, and administrative tasks.

The candidates should fulfill the following qualifications:

- A professional degree in veterinary medicine (Dr. med. vet., DVM, or equivalent)
- Board certification in large animal internal medicine (ACVIM) and/or equine internal medicine (ECEIM) or a completed residency program in equine internal medicine (ACVIM or ECEIM board eligible).
- An advanced degree (PhD, Habilitation, or equivalent) is not mandatory.
- The candidate should be a team-player with adequate clinical experience, excellent communication skills, and a strong desire to provide excellent patient care and to train professional students, graduate students, interns and residents.
- Knowledge of German (fluent oral and written) and English language is mandatory for this position.

Duties:

- Clinical service in Equine Internal Medicine section (in-house service only; including cardiology, neonatology, emergency, and critical care).
- Contribution to the clinical training and didactic teaching of professional students, interns, residents, and graduate students and participation in continuing education activities.
- Emergency work after hours (internal medicine only), on holidays, and on weekends is part of the basic duties and will be shared with 3 other senior clinicians.
- The appointed candidate will represent the Equine Internal Medicine section through interactions with clients, referring veterinarians, other faculty members and clinicians, colleagues from preclinical and paraclinical institutes, students, external research groups, visitors, and representatives of biomedical companies.

- The appointed candidate will be expected to actively contribute to the future development of the section, to participate in committee work and to assist with all required administrative tasks.
- The extent of research activities will be variable. Active research is supported and expected.

Conditions of employment:

The clinical duties will have to be covered on a weekly basis, independent of the employment level. The salary will be determined according to the Vetsuisse Faculty University of Zurich guidelines for clinical senior lecturers and will be commensurate with the applicant's experience and qualifications. The appointment includes 5 weeks of vacation and admission in the obligatory retirement plan. Accident insurance is covered by the employer, whereas general health insurance must be concluded by the employee.

Hospital:

The Veterinary Teaching Hospital (VTH) of the Vetsuisse Faculty of the University of Zurich (VSF-ZH), is one of two University Veterinary Teaching Hospitals in Switzerland. The campus of the VTH is located at the outskirts of the city, close to the Irchel campus and approximately 15 minutes (by tram) from the central campus of the University. All clinical, preclinical and paraclinical institutes are in close distance on campus. Therefore, the location provides an ideal environment for clinical service, teaching and research activities, including interdisciplinary research collaborations within the VSF and with groups at the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Science.

The Equine Department consists of 4 sections, including Equine Internal Medicine, Equine Surgery, Equine Sports Medicine and Ophthalmology (covering all species). Equine reproduction is covered by the Clinic of Reproductive Medicine, which is part of the Food Animal Department. There is close collaboration with other clinical services such as Diagnostic Imaging, Anesthesiology and Clinical Pathology and with the paraclinical institutes. The facilities are well maintained and equipped with up-to-date medical devices (including high-end video-endoscopy equipment, several general-purpose ultrasound and echocardiography machines, a variety of physiological monitoring devices and telemetric ECG units, a variety of stall-sided laboratory assays, a high-speed treadmill, state-of-the-art digital radiography, fluoroscopy, a CT/standing-CT unit, a 3T MRI unit, a standing equine MRI unit, and a scintigraphy unit). Laboratory facilities are available on site (including virology, bacteriology, parasitology and pathology) and POC laboratory testing for routine blood work is available 24/7.

The Equine Hospital has three main examination and treatment areas (surgery/orthopedics, internal medicine, sports medicine), two surgery tracts (one of them with a hydropool recovery system), and 44 box stalls (including 4 isolation stalls). The yearly equine caseload consists of approximately 1000 cases in the internal medicine section and 1800 cases in the equine surgery section. The Internal Medicine Section is offering a Swiss Equine Practitioner (FVH) program, and a residency program according to the requirements of the ACVIM and the ECEIM, respectively. Currently, the section employs four board-certified internists (two ACVIM, two ECEIM), five FVH/ACVIM residents, six rotating interns (covering duties in the entire equine hospital), several graduate students (MS) and doctoral students (Dr. med. vet.), five grooms/technicians and an administrative assistant.

Applications:

Deadline for application is March 15, 2022. However, consideration of applications may continue after the deadline if no suitable candidates have been selected. The starting date will be Mai 1, 2022 or by specific arrangement.

All candidates are asked to submit a letter of intention in German language that includes their career objectives and research interests, alongside with their curriculum vitae, a copy of their transcripts and diplomas, and the names and contact information of 3 professionals acting as references.

All applications must be sent electronically, as single PDF file, by e-mail to the secretary of the Clinic for Equine Internal Medicine: Mrs Ljubica Dimbrek, pferdemedizin@vetclinics.uzh.ch.

For more information or for any questions, the applicants are requested to contact Mrs Ljubica Dimbrek or Prof. Colin Schwarzwald (+41 44 635 84 20; pferdemedizin@vetclinics.uzh.ch).

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