

Practice Name _____

Practice Address _____

Practice Phone _____

DVM who will be principal contact _____

Names of all other veterinarians in the practice _____

Amount of grant funds requested: \$ _____

(Max \$1,500 per practice, which can be used to host one or multiple students.)

Grant funds will be used for:

_____ % Student extern compensation

_____ % Student extern lodging

_____ % Student extern food

Anticipated externship length: _____ weeks

What percentage of student externs' time will likely be spent on non-food animal practice? _____ %

What will that entail? *(eg: small animal, equine, etc.)* _____

The undersigned agrees to comply with all grant conditions if awarded funds, and to hold the OVMA harmless from all employment responsibilities and liabilities that may be associated with the externship experience.

Signature _____

Date _____

HOW TO APPLY

Fill out the 2012 Grant Application form included in this brochure and return to the OVMA no later than **April 1, 2012**. If needed, you may attach additional pages to your application.

You may also submit an application online at **www.ohiovma.org/externship.html**.

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Questions? Contact the OVMA office at 800.662.6862 or mrh@ohiovma.org.

Students who are interested in finding an externship practice can complete a form at **www.ohiovma.org/students**.



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2012 Food Animal EXTERNSHIP

Sponsored by the OVMA Food Animal Committee



For students studying veterinary medicine, the best way to learn is by firsthand experience. In an effort to encourage students who want to take their education to the next level, the **Ohio Veterinary Medical Association** will provide a total of **\$8,000** in matching grant funds to veterinarians willing to introduce students to food animal medicine.

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

This externship opportunity has been established to facilitate the exploration of food animal medicine as a viable career path among veterinary medicine students. The program also encourages and supports OVMA food animal practitioners in developing mentorship opportunities and, potentially, future associate veterinarians.

APPROVED PRACTICES

To be eligible to receive a grant, food animal medicine must make up at least 25 percent of your practice's activity. This includes bovine, swine, ovine, poultry or aquaculture veterinary medicine. However, the Committee may approve other areas on a case-by-case basis.

Only practices located in Ohio qualify for the program, and at least half of the practicing veterinarians must be members in good standing with the OVMA. Practices must also agree to engage students in food animal medicine for the majority of the externship, as well as match OVMA externship funds dollar for dollar. If your practice meets these criteria, you may be awarded up to \$1,500 for the 2012 program.

An incredible learning environment... I am thankful for the opportunity to gain technical veterinary skills and practice management techniques.

—Justin Tank, 2011 Student Extern

Participating practices also agree to be responsible and to hold harmless the OVMA from all employment responsibilities and liabilities.

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

OVMA Student Members in their first, second or third year of veterinary school are eligible to participate in a Food Animal Externship. OVMA also requires that student applicants be in good academic standing and provide a brief evaluation of their experience following the program.

Students who would like to find a participating practice may complete a form online at www.ohiovma.org/students.

USE OF FUNDS

These funds may be used to host one student or multiple students simultaneously. Practices participating in the program may only use grant monies for the following reasons:

- Compensation to the student
- Scholarship funds to be used toward the student(s)' education
- Stipends for lodging and/or food
- Appropriate clothing and/or equipment needed to perform externship duties

If for any reason, students do not complete the externship, unused funds shall be returned to the OVMA within 30 days.

DETERMINATION OF GRANTS

In order to be considered for the externship program, interested practices must submit their applications by April 1, 2012. In requesting funds, practices are asked to indicate what portions of the grant will be used for compensation, lodging and food. Grant requests are subject to approval in form and amount, or disapproval, by a Committee that has been appointed by the OVMA President for such purposes. Any OVMA member whose practice has submitted an application for the program is not eligible to serve on this Committee.

