

Food Animal Clinician Position Description (Clinical-Track)

Department of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences
College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences
Texas A&M University

The successful candidate must be board certified in a relevant specialty board including American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, American College of Veterinary Surgeons, American College of Theriogenology, or American Board of Veterinary Practitioners or be eligible to sit the examination. If the candidate has not completed board certification at the time of hire, this must be accomplished within 2 years of hiring date. This is a clinical track position; thus, the successful candidate will be expected to be effective in institutional citizenship, teaching and scholarly activity, with the greatest time commitment and greatest expectation for excellence in clinical service.

I. Institutional Citizenship:

The successful candidate will participate actively in Departmental, College, University and specialty organization committee service and other leadership activities, and will demonstrate collegiality in all aspects of the position.

II. Teaching:

The successful candidate will participate with other food animal clinicians in teaching and mentorship of veterinary students, interns, and residents through the food animal medicine and surgery service as well as through didactic lectures and laboratories in the veterinary professional curriculum. The successful candidate will provide leadership that will enhance the quality and scope of the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital's patient care program and provide guidance and mentorship in the large animal house officer training program. Excellence in teaching is expected of all faculty members in this department.

III. Scholarship of Discovery, Integration, Application, and Teaching:

Scholarship, defined as creative intellectual work that is validated by peers and communicated, can encompass: **Discovery**, (research or the creation of new knowledge); **Integration** (dissemination of new knowledge whereby the relationship of knowledge and thought are considered and explained); **Teaching** (development of new teaching methods that are made available and adopted by others through peer-reviewed publications and other means of dissemination.)

The College expects that all faculty members demonstrate a level of scholarship that is commensurate to their assignment. While each faculty member will have opportunities and expectations in each area of scholarship, the primary emphasis area for clinical track faculty

members will be the **Scholarship of Integration and Application**. Participation in the **Scholarship of Teaching** and **Discovery** are highly valued but not required of faculty members in the clinical track.

This position description will be reviewed and may be amended by the Department Head in consultation with the faculty member according to the needs and interests of the department and professional goals of the faculty member.

The food animal medicine and surgery services provide care for routine and emergency care for ruminant species and swine in hospital and field services. Clinical assignments including after-hours emergency duty will be based on clinical needs and will be shared by the faculty team. The typical effort appointment of patient care and clinical teaching for a clinical track food animal clinician is 75%. The successful candidate will have opportunity to provide leadership for the development and introduction of new techniques and concepts that will enhance the quality and scope of the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital's patient care programs. Each faculty member has the opportunity to provide and participate in continuing education presentations in state, national, and specialty meetings.