Position Description
Equine Soft Tissue and Emergency Faculty Position
Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences
College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences
Texas A&M University

The desired candidate should be board certified by the American College of Veterinary Surgeons. Board certification by the American College of Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care (or eligibility to sit the certifying examination) is desirable. 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 expectation for excellence in clinical service and pre-clinical teaching. Experience, training, interest and expertise in large animal soft tissue and emergency surgery is required.

I. Patient Care:

The Equine Soft Tissue service provides expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of equine upper airway disorders including sinus/dental disease, urogenital procedures such as cryptorchidectomy/varieectomy, gastrointestinal surgery, wounds, skin tumors and hernias. The Equine Soft Tissue service is responsible for day-time emergency coverage and surgical support to the Food Animal service. The Emergency Critical Care Service is an after-hours and weekend service that provides high level care to equine patients and surgical support to the Food Animal service.

II. Institutional Citizenship:

The successful candidate will engage actively in departmental, college, university and specialty organization committee service and other leadership activities, and will demonstrate collegiality in all aspects of the position. Strong communications skills and collegiality with clients, staff, faculty and students is required.

III. Teaching:

The chosen individual will have a significant instructional role in the updated, integrated and highly experiential DVM curriculum. They will provide instruction in the preclinical veterinary professional program by developing innovative lectures and laboratory materials. The successful candidate will teach professional students in didactic courses and laboratories in the three (3) preclinical years of the professional veterinary curriculum. The successful candidate will participate with other surgeons in teaching and mentorship of veterinary students, interns, and residents through the Equine Soft Tissue and surgical component of the After Hours Service. The successful candidate will provide leadership that will enhance the quality and scope of the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital’s patient care program. Participation in continuing Education presentations for practitioners in the state of Texas and participation in other state, national, and specialty meetings is expected. Excellence in teaching is a critical mission of this department and college.
IV. Scholarship of Discovery and Integration:

Clinical track faculty are expected to develop collaborative research endeavors within the College of Veterinary Medicine, including the scholarship of teaching and learning (SOTL). The emphasis for clinical track faculty is engagement in scholarship of integration and teaching. Examples of these activities include writing book chapters, presenting continuing education seminars/laboratories, and developing/studying educational methodologies.

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 successful candidate will be assigned approximately 25% of their appointment to the Equine Soft Tissue Surgery service, 25% to the After Hours Emergency Service with the remainder assigned to didactic teaching, academic citizenship, and scholarly activities. The successful candidate will have opportunities 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.