

Position Description (Clinical-Track)

Large Animal Surgeon/Hospital Clinician

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

This position contributes to a team of boarded internal medicine, surgery, and theriogenology faculty serving the clinical, teaching, and research needs of the Food Animal Medicine and Surgery Service within the Texas A&M University Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital. The successful candidate must be either board certified by the American or European College of Veterinary Surgeons or be eligible to sit the examination for the specialty college. If the candidate has not completed board certification at the time of hire, this must be accomplished within 2 years of the 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 and teaching.

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 large 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 develop well-organized creative lectures and laboratory materials for courses in the 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. Participation in continuing education presentations for practitioners in the state of Texas and participation in other state, national, and specialty meetings is expected. Support to food animal producer groups in the state of Texas is expected. Excellence in teaching is expected of all faculty members in this department.

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

Clinical track faculty are expected to develop collaborative research and support the research needs of colleagues as appropriate. Faculty are expected to publish results of original work in high quality refereed journals, and present research to peer groups. 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.

IV. Patient Care:

The food animal medicine and surgery service provides routine and emergency care for cattle, sheep, goats, New and Old World camelids, swine, potbelly pigs, and exotic hoofstock in the hospital and field service units. 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 70%. 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.