SMALL ANIMAL BEHAVIOR RESIDENCY

The Veterinary Hospital at the University of Pennsylvania (Penn Vet) is offering a residency position in a premier urban academic Small Animal Behavior department. This is a 3-year position focused on clinical activity and research. At least 70% of the Behavior Resident’s activity will be dedicated to clinical practice at the Penn Vet Behavior service, under the supervision of a board certified veterinary behaviorist (DACVB, DECAWBM). Clinical duties include seeing behavior cases at our referring hospital and collaborating shelters (as allowed by current CVID19-pandemic regulation), while consistently collaborating with other Penn Vet clinical services, and participating in a limited numbers of rotations through designated clinical services, with the support of board certified veterinarians and senior house officers. The rest of the Resident’s activity will be focused on clinical and laboratory Behavior research, patient-side and in-class teaching. Participation in Behavior and house officer rounds is expected. The completion of a Behavior research project is required.

Our location in the city combined with our large caseload and academic environment provides a unique opportunity for a veterinarian looking to learn more about the advanced practice of behavior medicine. Upon satisfactory completion of the 3-year Behavior program and having obtained the required credentials, the Resident can take the board examination of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists.

The Resident will be eligible for employee tuition benefits to attend the Penn Vet online Master of Science in Animal Welfare and Behavior (https://www.vet.upenn.edu/education/graduate-programs/msc-animal-welfare-behavior). Participation to the Master program is voluntary. The Master can help the Resident complete the theoretical training required by the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists for board certification.

The candidate has to be a Graduate of a College of Veterinary Medicine, a citizen or permanent resident of the US, or a citizen of Canada or Mexico. A one-year clinical experience (internship or equivalent) is required. Research experience is preferred, but not required. The salary for this position is $36,000, with health and professional liability insurance included. Two-week vacation is provided. Position to commence on July 13, 2021, and will automatically renew yearly until July 14, 2024 if the performance of the resident is satisfactory.

For more information, please contact: Carlo Siracusa, DVM, PhD, DACVB, DECAWBM, Director of Penn Vet Small Animal Behavior Service. Tel. (215) 898-6681 or email: siracusa@vet.upenn.edu. Applicants must submit a copy of their CV and a letter of intent by December 15, 2020. Three letters of recommendation should be sent by the applicant’s referees directly to Dr. Siracusa.