

LARGE ANIMAL CLINICAL ROTATIONS

New Bolton Center
382 West Street Road
Kennett Square, PA 19348

General information:

NBC is located approximately 35 miles from Philadelphia in a small rural area. Facilities and services are somewhat scattered. The nearest town, Kennett Square, is approximately 4 miles away. There is NO public transport, so a car is really a necessity for extended stays requiring shopping.

The student dormitory on the New Bolton Center campus is for the use of senior year or third year early entry Penn Vet students or externs only. Family members, (including partners, spouses, and children), or friends of students are not permitted in the dormitory.

Rooms and Room Mates:

The dorm rooms contain three beds, two desks, lamps and storage for personal belongings. Students will self-assign rooms and roommates, by signing up for a room using the google document at this link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-xKcskxhGUkuMad4JFKR3gzxJrsj-oOo/view?usp=sharing>

Note that there are two slots for each room... if triple occupancy is required to accommodate all students, a third name can be added. If a single occupancy room is required for any reason (eg. lactation, medical condition, etc) please contact Patty Antes (antes@vet.upenn.edu or 610-925-6132) for special arrangements.

EXTERN: Please write "EXTERN" after your last name in the Google Doc. Example "Smith, EXTERN".

Pets:

PETS ARE **PROHIBITED** FROM NBC. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS REGULATION WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF ROOM PRIVILEGES.

When you arrive at NBC:

You will need your Penn I.D. card to gain access to the dorm. Room keys may be signed out from the Hospital Admissions desk. Rooms will be available after 2:00 PM on the first day of the rotation. Students will not have access to their rooms before this time, to allow for cleaning after departure of previous rotation students. Students retaining their room from a prior rotation may leave their personal belongings in the room but must be out of the room between 8AM and 2PM to allow for cleaning. Items may be retrieved from the room or kitchen refrigerators.

Check out time is no later than 7:00 AM on the first day of the ensuing rotation (i.e. students on duty Sunday night may stay in the dorm overnight and check out Monday morning). Please hand in your key by the designated check-out time at the end of your rotation to the admissions office in the large animal hospital, and be sure all personal items have been removed from the room.

Linens:

Linens are not provided. You must bring your own sheets, blankets, towels, pillows, and pillowcases, etc.

Food Service:

We have a full-service cafeteria, offering breakfast and lunch items. Hours are approximately 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

If you wish to cook your own meals, the dormitory has a well-equipped kitchen on the second floor. It has a stove, refrigerators, freezers, microwaves, toaster oven and dishwasher. Cleaning supplies are provided. Dishes, pots and pans and cooking utensils are provided. Each student has a storage locker for dry goods. Please label and date everything you put in the refrigerators and closets, because at the end of each rotation the housekeepers will discard any unlabeled food items without exception.

Additionally, each dorm room also has a small refrigerator. Please be sure to empty it when you check out.

Room Cleaning:

Hallways, bathrooms, and common areas are cleaned daily. The housekeepers will not enter your room during your stay. Rooms will be cleaned and disinfected by housekeeping staff once vacated at the end of a rotation.

Laundry Facilities:

Washers and dryers are available on the first floor of the dorm.

Loss Prevention:

The University does not insure your car or personal belongings. Please do not bring large amounts of cash with you. The locks on the dormitory doors are equipped with dead bolt mechanisms, which can be activated by using your key to lock the door. For your own protection please use the key to lock the door and turn it until you hear the dead bolt trip. Once in place no one can gain access to your room unless they have a key. You will need your Penn card to gain access to the dorm from Alumni Hall or from the back door.

While on campus please drive slowly. The speed limit is 15 mph, and park only in designated parking areas.

Emergency Procedures:

Dial 911 for Chester County emergency services.

Student Health:

All full-time students are required to carry health insurance either through the student plan or a private insurer. If you are injured or become ill while at NBC, you or your health insurance plan will be responsible for payment of all medical services.

Mail:

All outgoing mail can be left at the mailroom located in the hospital.

We look forward to meeting you and hope your stay at NBC is pleasurable. If you have any problems, please contact Patricia Antes at ext. 6320 or by email to: antes@vet.upenn.edu.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR LARGE ANIMAL CLINICAL ROTATIONS

THE FOLLOWING IS RECOMMENDED PROTECTIVE CLOTHING THAT IS REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN CLINICAL ROTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

- **Coveralls -**

These may be purchased at a uniform store on the Internet.

You may wear either short-sleeved or long-sleeved coveralls. Short-sleeved coveralls are recommended especially when doing bovine rectal exams. Coveralls must be either brown or tan.

It is easy for clothes to become soiled when working with large animals. As students must maintain a neat appearance at New Bolton, it is a good idea to have more than one pair of coveralls.

- **Boots -**

You will need to have a pair of mid-calf rubber boots - boots that only cover ankles are not acceptable. In addition to the obvious concern of protecting your shoes or sneakers, one of the reasons for requiring rubber boots is for increased biosafety as rubber boots can be easily disinfected. Examples of acceptable boots made by Tingley can be seen at: <http://www.tingleyrubber.com>). The recommended boot is the over-the-shoe product - Rubber 10" Workboot - 1400 Style. Click on "Agriculture", "Footwear", "Natural Rubber Overshoes". This will show you the recommended boot. To order, go back to the home page (www.tingleyrubber.com) and click on "Buy Tingley Rubber Products" - (see the shopping cart icon). Type "1400" in the Product Search Box. *****Before ordering, be sure to read sizing information especially when ordering the over-the-shoe boot.*****

Whether you are in protective clothing or your regular daily wear (see Dress Code) a neat and clean professional appearance should be maintained at all times in the hospital facility. Remember also to always wear your name tag!

When working with patients in the hospital, it is appropriate to wear clean coveralls whenever you wish to. Coveralls are highly recommended for working with food animal cases in D barn and in some instances may be required. Both boots and coveralls are required apparel for activities at the Marshak Dairy and for dairy visits or other bovine-related work with Field Service. Coveralls are also required wear when conducting reproductive examinations at Hofmann Center. Protective clothing and footwear is provided at many places in the hospital and if, for example, you are an extern who is only doing a surgical rotation at the Widener Hospital, it would not be necessary to purchase boots and coveralls. If, however, you will be doing any of the rotations/activities mentioned above you must have boots and coveralls.