



Job Description

College/Management Unit	College of Agriculture, Food Science & Veterinary Medicine
School/Unit	School of Veterinary Medicine
Post Title & Subject Area (if relevant)	Resident in Morphological Veterinary Pathology
Post Duration	4 years
Grade	Postgraduate student
Closing date	23 rd June 2019

Position Summary

The School of Veterinary Medicine, University College Dublin invites applications for two positions of Resident in Veterinary Pathology to commence September 2019 and January 2020.

This is a four year training position with the following aims:

- To provide post-graduate training in morphological veterinary pathology within an approved residency programme
- To obtain a professional doctorate (DVMS)
- To provide an introduction to and experience in research
- To develop communication and teaching skills

Residency training is anticipated to result in certification of the candidate by the European College of Veterinary Pathology (ECVP) (see: www.ecvpath.org) and The Royal College of Pathologists (see: www.rcpath.org) (optional). The resident will also enrol in the UCD School of Veterinary Medicine professional doctorate programme (DVMS - Doctorate of Veterinary Medical Specialisation), paralleling the requirements of ECVP accreditation. This doctorate programme is one of advanced education and training, incorporating taught elements, supervised professional practice and supervised research. There will be a formal Stage Transfer Assessment for the professional doctorate after approximately 18 months of training.

Stipend: €24,000 – 26,000 depending on year of registration

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The Resident has a training commitment of at least 36 weeks per annum. The remainder of the available time (12 weeks excluding holidays) is for other scholarly activities including the conduct of research, the writing of scientific publications, participation in taught modules, attending conferences and other training opportunities.

The resident will actively participate in postmortem examinations (necropsies) and in the evaluation of biopsies under the direct supervision of accredited veterinary pathologists. Duties will include report writing, tutorial-type demonstrations of postmortem material and occasional lectures to veterinary undergraduates, and assisting in the supervision of final year student rotations and at continuing professional development events for veterinary practitioners. Self-directed learning will be expected through use of a reading list and the examination of archival material (histopathology slides and digital images). The resident will

be exposed to a wide range of necropsy and biopsy material from large and small domestic animals as well as from zoo and laboratory animal species. Typically over 800 necropsies are carried out within the University College Dublin Veterinary Hospital (UCDVH) annually with submissions from within the UCDVH, from external veterinary practices, from the biomedical facilities at UCD and from Dublin Zoo. Typically 1000 biopsy examinations are reported annually. The resident will attend weekly 'in-house' histopathology training sessions and, subject to budgetary constraints, extra-mural training courses (such as by The CL Davis Foundation, ECVP, The British Society of Veterinary Pathology, RCPATH and The AFIP, Washington DC) and spend periods on external placement at veterinary diagnostic laboratories to gain additional experience in specific areas.

During residency/DVMS training the candidate will carry out a research project leading to publications and receive training in research methodology, laboratory management, and Health and Safety procedures. It is anticipated that case reports will also be prepared for publication. Taught elements will include courses on research techniques (eg) biostatistics, molecular biology, proteomics.

(see: <https://www.ucd.ie/vetmed/study/graduateprogrammes/professionaldoratedvms/>)

The residency will include the development of communication and teaching skills and the resident will be expected to prepare and present material at Association of Veterinary Teachers and Research Workers or European Society of Veterinary Pathology meetings.

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria outline the qualifications, skills, knowledge and/or experience that the successful candidate would need to demonstrate for successful discharge of the responsibilities of the post. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how well candidates satisfy these criteria.

Mandatory

- A veterinary qualification eligible for registration with the Veterinary Council of Ireland (see www.vci.ie).
- Demonstration of interest in morphological veterinary pathology and in obtaining specialist qualifications in the discipline.
- At least one year of postgraduate veterinary experience by the time the residency commences
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Highly self-motivated
- Ability to work in a team
- Fluency in both spoken and written English

Desirable

- Demonstrable interest in veterinary research
- Experience in presentation/undergraduate teaching
- Postgraduate qualification/evidence of publications

Further Information for Candidates

The University:	www.ucd.ie
The College/Management Unit:	www.ucd.ie/agfoodvet
The School/Programme Office:	www.ucd.ie/vetmed

Relocation and Interview Expenses

Will not apply

Informal Enquiries ONLY to:

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Application procedure

Candidates should forward the following items to Frances.Yarber@ucd.ie by 23rd June 2019, 5 pm.

- Electronic copies of their current curriculum vitae
- Letter of intent
- Proof of post graduate work experience
- University transcript of their veterinary degree (translated into English)
- Proof of English proficiency
- Contact details for three referees

Short-listed applicants will be contacted regarding interviews. These are likely to be held in July 2019