



Veterinary Student Externship Experience

Objective: To provide a veterinary student with practical experience in providing routine and emergent veterinary care to resident horses on a Thoroughbred breeding farm. The primary experience revolves around reproductive management of broodmares and stallions, neonatal and foal care, yearling development, and herd health management. Other responsibilities include care of track lay-ups, preparation of horses for sale at public auction, and clinical research.

Overview: The following are expectations and requirements for serving an externship at Claiborne Farm:

1. There is no financial compensation for participating in this externship.
2. Assist veterinarian and technician with all veterinary duties.
3. We will provide housing accommodations.
4. Provide your own transportation to and from Claiborne Farm.
5. Provide your own breakfast and dinner; we will provide you lunch.
6. Start at ~ 6:30 am each morning and end ~ 5 pm each afternoon.
7. Be on-call for all after-hours emergencies and foalings.
8. Be willing to work 7 days a week.
9. Provide student AVMA-PLIT insurance; information can be found at the following website (<http://avmaplit.com/Default.aspx?id=70>).
10. Complete and provide a Kentucky Liability Waiver and Emergency contact sheet (both are provided upon acceptance into the externship program).
11. Best times to extern with us are February through June of each year.
12. Externs are encouraged to participate in active discussions on techniques and cases; hands-on experience will be dependent upon the skill and comfort level of each individual.

How to Apply: Please provide the following information to bpurcell@claibornefarm.com:

1. Provide a letter of intent and resume or curriculum vitae including a list of 2-4 references (please include their email addresses).
2. The externship is open to first through fourth year veterinary students; visiting veterinarians are also welcome.
3. There is no maximum or minimum for length of the externship.

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