Cornell University Faculty Position in Wildlife Medicine

The Department of Clinical Sciences in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University invites applications for a clinical track faculty position in Wildlife Medicine. The full-time position is based at the Janet L. Swanson Wildlife Hospital (SWH), a satellite hospital of the Cornell University Hospital for Animals (CUHA). Located approximately 2 miles from the main campus, the SWH provides state-of-the-art medical and surgical care of ill and injured native wildlife, teaches and mentors students and graduate veterinarians, and performs innovative research designed to advance wildlife medicine.

The successful candidate would join a fast-paced and exceptional clinical program. The SWH is an autonomous, well-equipped facility that is further supported by regular consultation and active collaboration with specialists from CUHA. Additionally, comprehensive diagnostic testing services are provided by the Animal Health Diagnostic Center. The candidate will join a team that includes two faculty members that are Board Certified by the American College of Zoological Medicine™ (ACZM), five full-time licensed veterinary technicians, and an animal care attendant. The SWH admits approximately 2,000 animals annually, and the caseload is approximately 65% avian, 30% mammalian, and 5% herpetile. The hospital collaborates with a strong and wide network of licensed wildlife rehabilitators across New York State who complete the rehabilitation aspect of patient care with the mission of release back to the wild.

The SWH plays an integral role in student teaching, providing education and clinical training in wildlife medicine. Additionally, the candidate will be involved in the training and mentorship of Wildlife Health interns as they rotate through the SWH. The SWH also participates heavily in wildlife research, collaborating regularly with researchers within the CVM, and generating numerous internal projects focused on native wildlife health both at the individual animal and population levels.

The SWH is part of a robust Wildlife Health program at Cornell University and is a member of the Cornell Wildlife Health Center (WHC), a College of Veterinary Medicine Center of Excellence. The WHC unites wildlife experts across the College’s many wildlife health programs, creating abundant opportunities designed to maximize impact and engagement, and train the next generation of conservation leaders. An organization with an unparalleled multidisciplinary expertise, the WHC develops holistic, science-based solutions that benefit the health of wildlife, domestic animals, and local communities both locally and globally.

Qualifications: Candidates must possess a DVM or equivalent degree and have a minimum of 3 years of clinical experience practicing zoological medicine, preferably some within the discipline of wildlife health. Board certification by the American College of Zoological Medicine™ is preferred, but those that are board exam eligible are also encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will have excellent interpersonal and communication skills and be able to work with a diverse team of staff, students, and veterinarians. Proven aptitude in and enthusiasm for teaching in both clinical and didactic environments is required. Clinical duties require flexible working hours that will include daytime, evening, and weekend responsibilities. Clinical competence in all aspects of wildlife medicine is required, including expertise in avian medicine and surgery. Experience in the advanced training of graduate veterinarians in internship, fellowship, or
residency programs is preferred. Demonstrated accomplishment in research and a desire to continue to perform independent and collaborative research is desirable.

Cornell University embraces diversity and seeks candidates who will create a climate that attracts students of all races, nationalities, and genders. We strongly encourage women and underrepresented minorities to apply. The University seeks to meet the needs of dual career couples, has a Dual Career program, and is a member of the Upstate New York Higher Education Recruitment Consortium to assist with dual career searches.

Cornell is in Ithaca on the shores of Cayuga Lake in the beautiful Finger Lakes region of New York. Ithaca is a vibrant city with art museums, theaters, and a diverse selection of restaurants. It is within driving distance of several large metropolitan centers, award-winning wineries, and downhill skiing areas. Ithaca is a nature-lover’s paradise with ample opportunity for outdoor activities. Easy campus-to-campus bus transportation allows one to explore or develop collaborations in NYC while enjoying the “Ithaca is Gorges” lifestyle.

For more information, go to: https://www.vet.cornell.edu/departments/department-clinical-sciences or contact Dr. Sara Childs-Sanford, Chair of the Search Committee at sec15@cornell.edu.

To apply, submit a cover letter including a statement of career goals, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests and plans, statement of teaching interests and plans, and the names of 3 individuals who can provide references. In addition, we ask applicants for all faculty positions to share their experiences and/or approaches (past, current, or future) to fostering learning, research service, and/or outreach in a diverse community. Applicants may choose to submit a stand-alone statement or embed the information in other parts of their application materials.

**What is a Statement of Contribution to Diversity?**

A statement invites applicants to describe their past, present, and/or future aspirations to promoting equity, inclusion, and diversity in their careers as researchers and educators, and/or to convey how they see these commitments continuing at Cornell. Such articulation can focus on teaching, research, or service, or all of three factors.

Review of applications will begin on **January 2, 2024**, and will continue until the position is filled.

Cornell University is an innovative Ivy League university and a great place to work. Our inclusive community of scholars, students and staff impart an uncommon sense of larger purpose and contribute creative ideas to further the university’s mission of teaching, discovery, and engagement. With our main campus located in Ithaca, NY Cornell’s far-flung global presence includes the medical college’s campuses in Manhattan and Doha, Qatar, as well as the Cornell Tech campus located on Roosevelt Island in the heart of New York City.

Diversity and Inclusion are a part of Cornell University’s heritage. We are a recognized employer and educator valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans and Individuals with Disabilities.

*Salary range: $56,100 - $230,010*