

CWAS



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WHY DO WE OFFER EXTERNSHIPS?

- ❖ CWAS offers veterinary externships for three primary reasons:
 1. Out of gratitude for the numerous veterinarians who hosted our veterinarians as externs throughout their student careers.
 2. To maintain the highest level of ethical and medical practice by serving as teachers and mentors.
 3. Provide valuable training and experience to individuals interested in the practice of veterinary medicine.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT AS AN EXTERN?

- ❖ Responsibilities will vary with the confidence level of the individual, but CWAS believes in a hands-on approach in our practice.
- ❖ Externs will engage in regular herd visits with our veterinarians, which will include reproductive, medical, surgical, and preventative work.
- ❖ Participation in protocol development and monitoring.
- ❖ We engage in regular milk quality evaluations, parlor equipment evaluation, and parlor flow monitoring.
- ❖ We employ a dairy nutritionist, thus externs can expect to spend 1-2 full days exploring aspects of feeding large herds of cattle.
- ❖ Externs can expect to gain vast experience using trans-rectal ultrasound.

HOW MANY HOURS WILL I WORK ON MY EXTERNSHIP?

- ❖ As veterinarians, we inherently work long, and at times, irregular hours. We expect students to work at least 40hr/week. Emergency or after-hour calls are not required, but welcome.

WHERE WILL I STAY DURING MY EXTERNSHIP?

- ❖ Housing is provided in one of the homes of our veterinarians who have hosted over 2 dozen students, from 3 countries, in our homes to date.

WILL I BE PAID FOR MY EXTERNSHIP?

- ❖ We do not offer a stipend at this time, as we provide all lodging, food, and purchase any necessities required for the job.

WHAT KIND OF PRACTICE IS CWAS?

- ❖ Central Wisconsin Ag Services, LLC (CWAS) is a Dairy-exclusive practice, which employs three veterinarians, a ruminant nutritionist, two translators, and an HR specialist.
- ❖ We perform all the standard veterinary services, in terms of medicine, surgery, preventative medicine, protocols and monitoring as well as milk quality, staff training, and management assistance tools.
- ❖ Our staff is on 4-12 farms and will come into contact with thousands of animals each day.
- ❖ Cody Heller, a partner in CWAS, is a dairyman himself and milks over 1,000 cows giving us access to a farm as a means of training.
- ❖ We are exclusively ambulatory, do not host any animals, and often leave from our homes in the morning. That said, our office is beautiful, functional, and hosts our weekly “Friday Happy Hour” when we summarize our week and brainstorm over drinks.
- ❖ Our farms range in size from 90 – 2,000 cows and include tie stall and free stall housing.
- ❖ We also engage each other in a quarterly journal club in order to stay abreast of changes based on new research.

WHAT OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE?

- ❖ Flying tends to be most affordable through Minneapolis/St. Paul, but there is a regional airport in Mosinee, Wisconsin called Central Wisconsin Airport (searchable on airline websites as “CWA-Wausau”)
- ❖ We provide transport to and from the airport for students who opt to fly.
- ❖ Winter is **COLD** here. Students traveling for winter externships must be prepared to be outdoors in weather that may dip below -50°F (Yes that is NEGATIVE 50).



- ❖ We ultrasound thousands of animals each year and STRONGLY recommend that all students reserve their own EasiScan ultrasound through the BCF Technologies Student Loan Program.
 - Go to: <http://www.northamerica.bcftechnology.com/>
 - Click on the “university program” tab
 - Click on the “Student loan program” tab
 - Reserve an ultrasound using the externship date and ship all machines to:
 - CWAS

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WHO DO I CONTACT ABOUT EXTERNSHIPS?

- ❖ Students seeking to apply for an externship can contact Emilie Strand, HR and Business Development Specialist, and is the director for externship coordination.
Phone: 707-888-620
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- ❖ Visit www.cwagservices.com and follow the instructions for “externs”
- ❖ Previous interns are listed below and would be happy to answer any further questions and elaborate on experiences:

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