



Two Week Externship Programme

Valley Equine Hospital offers a two week externship position for students who are interested in working in the equine field, especially for those interested in undertaking an equine internship. The programme is designed to offer students an accurate representation of the life of an intern.

The mentorship of our externs is led by our in house surgeon and interns. Teaching is also provided by our ambulatory team and other boarded specialists in; surgery, medicine, diagnostic imaging and anaesthesia, from the wider CVS network.

Externship Structure:

Each extern will be allocated an intern to shadow for the duration of their time at Valley Equine Hospital. This will involve exposure to anaesthesia/surgical cases, and inpatient care/outpatient workups. There is an on call responsibility based on a 1 in 2 rota (nights and 1 weekend) assisting the intern. However, if there are cases outside this on call period, we highly recommend the externs get involved to further their learning. Externs will have primary case responsibility and are expected to present the information about their cases in twice daily rounds. They will have exposure to common internship responsibilities such as; physical examinations, nasogastric intubation, intravenous catheter placement, administration of medications and many more.



Our case load at Valley Equine Hospital is predominantly a mix of Thoroughbred race horses in training and performance sports horses, with a smaller population of happy hackers. The externship enables exposure therefore to a wide variety of horses, and a wide variety of equine fields.

Accommodation is provided on site, with each extern having their own bedroom in our house adjacent to the practice. All externs will need to have their own transport for the entirety of the 2 week programme.

If you are interested in finding out more about the externship, please email either:

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