

Erasmus+ Traineeship at AniCura Aachen

Duration of the course: 1 July to 31 December 2019

Location: AniCura Aachen Tierärztliche Klinik Dr. Staudacher, Trierer Str. 652-658, 52078 Aachen, Deutschland (Receiving Organisation/Enterprise)

Subject

Deepening of veterinary knowledge and extension of practical diagnostic and therapeutic skills in small animal medicine

Participants

- Approved veterinarians from EU states with EU citizenship,
- Wishing to absolve a dual additional training (seminars and journal clubs in conjunction with practical training on the job within various departments of a small animal veterinary clinic) immediately after completing higher education (or at most 6 months after graduation)
- Vets that want to start a curative job in Germany in the medium term.
- Veterinarians with German language skills who are capable of habitual conversation (e.g. Level A2); German language skills will be significantly increased during the course.
- Requirement for the Erasmus grant if level B2 in English or German. Course languages are English and German.
- Since the practical X-ray training is an important part of the course, the participation of pregnant women unfortunately has to be excluded.

Specification of the course

- Intensive training of practical skills and knowledge in a small group of veterinarians.
- Mentoring by one instructor (mentor) and one veterinary supervisor per trainee.
- Seminars on topics of diagnosis and therapy on clinical veterinary medicine.
- Special consideration of laboratory diagnostic procedures.
- Training in imaging (X-ray, sonography, endoscopy, fluoroscopy, computed tomography and magnetic resonance tomography).
- Practical training to perform surgical procedures.
- Medical therapy in dogs, cats and small mammals, emergency medicine.
- Occupational safety, practice management, practice organization.
- Specific, veterinary-clinically oriented course of German language.
- Use of in-house knowledge database available at all computer workstations.
- Literature studies on more than 100,000 digital sources available in the hospital intranet.

The traineeship includes

- 80 seminar units of 30 min each according to a defined curriculum.
- 1 course in radiation protection of 7 hours, practical X-ray training.
- 10 journal clubs of 90 min.

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- 4 interactive courses for owner communication of 2 hours each, training with and without video recording.
- Weekly working time approx. 40 hours.
- Parts of the seminars, journal clubs and communication courses can take place during office hours or breaks.
- Participation in the daily consultation of the clinic
 - o Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9.00 – 12.00 am and 3.00 bis 7.00 pm,
 - o Wed 9.00 – 12.00 am and 5.00 – 7.00 pm,
 - o Sat 11.00 – 12.00 pm (each trainee participates one week/month).
- Practical work under supervision of the mentor or veterinary supervisor.

Acquisition of formal qualifications

- German license (Approbation) to work as a veterinarian in Germany.
- „Fachkunde im Strahlenschutz“ according to § 47 Strahlenschutzverordnung (StrlSchV) – license to practice X-ray diagnostics and computed tomography in Germany.

Course organization

- Application for the course participation until **30.4.2019**.
- Application by Mail to g.staudacher@tgz-aachen.de with CV, photo and
 - o Certificate of Veterinary University Studies with German translation
 - o Approval certificate (“Approbation”) or equivalent national certificate of competence in original language and official German translation
 - o Birth certificate, proof of citizenship of an EU country
 - o For the application, simple copies of all documents are sufficient
 - o Tell us your special interests and veterinary knowledge and skills (motivation letter)
 - o Explain your wishes and expectations for the traineeship.
- Application of individual funding und the EU’s “Higher Education Program for Traineeships” by the trainee through the institution’s ERASMUS+ representative, completion of a “Higher Education Learning Agreement for Traineeships “until **31.5.2019**.
- At the beginning of the course on **1.7.2019**, the original documents from the application (diploma, license to practice, birth certificate, proof of citizenship) and the approval of the Erasmus+ grant must be submitted. The original documents will be returned to the trainee as soon as three certified copies have been made by a German notary. They are applying for the German approbation, the expertise in radiation protection („Fachkunde im Strahlenschutz“) and membership in the North Rhine Chamber of Veterinary Medicine.
- For the application for a German veterinary license and proof of professional competence in radiation protection, an official police clearance certificate of the home country must be submitted in original language and official German translation until **31.9.2019**. The original documents remain with the State Office for Nature, Environment and Consumer Protection (Landesamt für Natur, Umwelt und Verbraucherschutz; LANUV) of the state North Rhine-Westfalia.

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- Trainees get access to personal and patient data. They are included in the veterinary confidentiality of the clinic staff.

Financing

- Trainees stay in Aachen in funded by the EU's ERASMUS+ program.
- The clinic offers free accommodation in a residential group (shared apartment of veterinarians on the grounds of the veterinary clinic, the trainee is offered a single room, joint use of kitchen, bathroom and living room) on top. The rooms are partially furnished.
- The trainee receives a laptop for the duration of the stay, which can also be used privately with Internet access in the course rooms. Access to the ERASMUS+ language course is ensured. The guidelines for data security and internet behavior must be observed.
- The clinic maintains a professional liability insurance and a professional accident insurance for the trainee.
- The health insurance must be signed by the trainee herself/himself.

Job offer

- With the appropriate professional attitude and knowledge of German language, the clinic will offer the trainees a position as a veterinarian in the clinic after completing the course. The payment is based on the recommendations of the Federal Veterinary Association for German Vets.