

June 1, 2023

RESIDENCY IN EQUINE SURGERY 2023-2027

The Hebrew University Veterinary Teaching Hospital (HUVTH), Koret School of Veterinary Medicine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, hereby offers a 4- year residency programme in Equine Surgery from October 15 2023 to October 30 2027 (dates may be subject to change depending on the candidate's limitations). Candidate enrolled to the programme will be evaluated annually, and progression through the programme will depend on the candidate's performance.

1. Objectives and description

The residency programme in equine surgery trains veterinarians to be eligible to obtain a specialist degree from the European College of Veterinary Surgery (ECVS). The programme is directed by Dr. Gal Kelmer DVM, DECVS, DACVS, Head of the Equine Department, HUVTH and supervised by Dr. Kelmer, Dr. Amos Tatz DVM, DECVS and Dr. Roee Dahan DVM, DACVS. A resident that successfully completes the programme will be able to take the ECVS exams, and once these are successfully passed, the resident will be eligible for ECVS certification. There is a potential for an ACVS residency programme and certification.

The programme will provide intensive training in equine surgery and lameness examinations as well as rotations in pathology, equine internal medicine, emergency medicine, diagnostic imaging and anesthesiology. Some of abovementioned rotations are planned to be held at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, UC-Davis, California, USA or other collaborating University. Financial support of these rotations cannot be guaranteed at present, and the resident may be required to meet the financial demand of these (e.g., cost of flight and stay at UCD). However, the HUVTH is committed to make every effort to ensure that these essential rotations will indeed take place and be financially supported as much as possible as it was successfully supported in the past.

The training programme includes rounds and journal & book club meetings and seminars. The resident is expected to take part in clinical teaching of students and interns. The resident will rotate with other clinicians of the Equine Department in emergency duty. The training programme will include contact with specialists in other HUVTH services (e.g., Internal Medicine, Anesthesiology, Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Neurology and Dermatology).

The resident's duties also include initiation and participation in a research project, including writing the proposal and a grant application, performing the study, assessing the results, writing a scientific paper and presenting the study in an international conference.

2. Requirements

DVM or an equivalent degree

At least one-year rotating equine internship in a qualified hospital or an equivalent equine practice experience (minimum 2 years)

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A license to practice veterinary medicine issued by the Israeli Veterinary Services (IVS)

3. Salary and compensation

Details can be discussed with Mr. Andrei Ianc, HUVTH Chief Administrator

4. Applications

4.1. Site

Applications should be addressed electronically or sent by certified mail to Dr. Gal Kelmer:

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4.2. Dates

Applications must be submitted before August 1st, 2023. Applicants should interview for the position before September 15, 2023. A visit at the HUVTH is strongly encouraged but the interview can be performed electronically as well.

4.3. Documentation to be submitted -

Letter of intent;

- Copy (scan) of the diploma in Veterinary Medicine;
- Curriculum Vitae;
- Documentation of Internship or equivalent
- Three supporting reference letters from Veterinarians
- Copy (scan) of the license to practice veterinary medicine, issued by the IVS

5. Candidate selection

5.1. Committee

The selection committee will include the residency director and Equine Department senior clinicians. The selected candidate will have to be approved by the Interns and Residents Committee, HUVTH, as well as the HUVTH Medical Director and Dean, Koret School of Veterinary Medicine.

5.2. Main selection Criteria



- Academic record
- Internship evaluation
- Reference letters
- Recognized interest in the specialty
- Other merits evaluated by impression based on an interview and externship rotations at the HUVTH
- Language skills (English and Hebrew)

5.3. Candidate selection notification

- The candidates will be personally notified on the application results by August 15 2023.

6. Residency commitments

Residents will be exclusively dedicated to the program and will have the following obligations:

- a. To accept and observe the hospital regulations
- b. To accept and observe the ECVS regulations, and the tutor instructions according to the ECVS guidelines
- c. To become eligible for sitting the ECVS exam

