

# Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine

## ABVP Residency in Canine/Feline Specialty

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The Canine & Feline Practice category is the largest of ABVP's nine categories, with over 400 veterinarians. Most are in private practice, but a growing number can be found in academia, industry, uniformed services, and other career fields. Diplomates often have advanced equipment and training in their practices to provide the highest-quality care for dogs and cats. Some accept referrals of difficult cases from their colleagues. Diplomates are often featured speakers at continuing education conferences, sharing their knowledge and expertise. A number of Canine and Feline specialists participate in the online community known as VIN (Veterinary Information Network). Diplomates can also be found serving the profession in organizations such as state associations and the national AVMA, including a past president. Go to [www.abvp.com](http://www.abvp.com) for further information on the general requirements for ABVP residency programs.

The Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences in the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech invites applications for a **2-year ABVP residency training program in the specialty of Canine/Feline Practice**. This is a unique program at the College of Veterinary Medicine preparing the resident for specialty certification in Canine/Feline clinical practice. The residency program provides training in advanced canine and feline practice to include rotations in community practice, internal and specialty medicine (cardiology, dermatology, neurology, surgery), radiology, and emergency medicine. The resident also will participate in house officer rounds and seminars, and clinical and didactic instruction of veterinary students. The emphasis of the program is to provide advanced clinical and didactic training to prepare the candidate for American Board of Veterinary Practitioners board certification.

Applicants must have completed a 1-year rotating internship or equivalent practice experience. Starting salary is \$37,284. Health benefits and vacation are included.

Interested applicants should submit a statement of intent, curriculum vitae, official veterinary school transcripts, and 3 letters of reference to: Lara Bartl, DVM, DABVP (canine/feline), ABVP Residency Coordinator, VA-MD College Vet Med, 205 Duck Pond Drive (mc 0442), Blacksburg VA 24061.

Residency starting date is July 15, 2021 and review of applications will begin on Jan 1, 2020, with final notification by April 15, 2021. For more information, go to <http://www.vetmed.vt.edu/org/dsacs/resprogs.asp> or contact Dr. Lara Bartl at 540-231-4621 or by email at [laraeb1@vt.edu](mailto:laraeb1@vt.edu). See <https://abvp.com/> for general information about ABVP residency programs.

## VMCVM ABVP Resident Training Rotations – Canine/Feline Specialty

Rotation	Year 1 (weeks)	Year 2 (weeks)
Community Practice*	31	32
Internal Medicine Referral Svc	3	3
Surgery	3	3
Specialty Medicine Svc**	6	6
Radiology/Diagnostic Imaging	3	3
Electives/Case Reports/Projects	3	3
CE Conference	1	1
Vacation	2	2
Total	52	52

\*Community Practice includes general/advanced medicine, routine surgery, and comprehensive dental services for canine and feline patients

\*\*Specialty Medicine Service includes Dermatology, Cardiology, Neurology and Ophthalmology Referral Services

### Teaching Rounds:

Journal Club	Tuesdays 9:00-9:30 am
Intern Rounds	Wednesdays 8:00-9:00 am
Intern/Resident Rounds	Thursdays 9:00-9:30 am
Intern/Resident Seminar Series	Six times per year

The ABVP Resident may participate in primary emergency receiving duty for the VTH during the first year.