

Cotati Large Animal Hospital

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Externship Program

General

This program is designed for professional veterinary students in the final two years of their curriculum. Externships of one or more weeks are preferred. Underclassmen and undergraduates are also welcome to schedule externships, but preference will be given to 3rd and 4th year veterinary students.

Our office hours are 8 to 5 Monday thru Friday, and 9 to 12 on Saturday. Externs have the opportunity to accompany the doctor on-call for emergencies on weeknights, weekends and holidays.

Please email us the dates you would like to visit. Please include the school you are attending, a resume, your scheduled graduation date, your phone number, address, and who to notify in case of emergency.

Expectations

Many students visit us to gain hands-on experience with the variety of large animals that we see, including equine, bovine (beef and dairy), goats, sheep, pigs, and camelids. Activities vary day to day, from all species wellness/vaccination, equine lameness, routine surgery, to bovine palpation in the field. Please wear appropriate clothing to work with large animals. A collared shirt, jeans, stethoscope and adequate foot protection are recommended. It is helpful to have rubber boots available. An externship here is what you make of it, so most importantly, bring a good attitude and willingness to help and learn!

Traveling/Accommodations

The clinic is located about 1 mile from the small town of Cotati. There are no accommodations available at the clinic and a car will be necessary to travel to and from the clinic daily.

Hotels nearby:

Best Western Inn in Rohnert Park - 1-800-568-8520

Extended Stay America in Santa Rosa 707-546-4860