Faculty Position in Zoological Medicine

The Department of Clinical Sciences in the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) at Cornell University invites applications for a clinical track faculty position in the Section of Zoological Medicine. The section is composed of six faculty members who provide clinical service to the Rosamond Gifford Zoo in Syracuse, the Janet L. Swanson Wildlife Hospital, and the Exotic Pet Service at Cornell University Hospital for Animals. They also support robust pre-clinical and clinical research programs, maintain a strong teaching and outreach program, and provide consulting services to a variety of zoos and veterinarians. The faculty are supported by experienced, licensed technicians, a resident in zoological medicine and two interns in zoological medicine. A new hospital is nearly in service at the Rosamond Gifford Zoo and is well equipped to support comprehensive, state-of-the-art medical care and teaching; this will be the primary site for the clinical activities for the successful candidate. Consultation and active collaboration with other specialists from the CVM is encouraged. Blood and other tissue samples can be processed on site, or they can be sent to the Cornell University Animal Health Diagnostic Center or to other referral centers.

Candidates must have a veterinary degree. Preference will be given to candidates who are board certified or considered board-eligible by the American College of Zoological Medicine (ACZM); candidates who are similarly qualified by the European College of Zoological Medicine will be considered for the position with the expectation that they become ACZM boarded within two years of being appointed at Cornell. Clinical expertise in zoological medicine applied to captive and wild populations is essential. Clinical and/or basic science research experience is preferred.

Distribution of effort in the section and department will be determined in accordance with the service needs, academic priorities, and the candidate’s expertise and academic goals in zoological medicine. Clinical service and teaching at the Rosamond Gifford Zoo, lecture and laboratory instruction of veterinary students and house officers, and independent and collaborative research are expected. Extensive opportunities for collaborative research exist at the College and University, including Weill Medical College and technology campuses in New York City, and at the Zoo.

Clinical duties require flexible working hours that will include daytime, evening, and weekend responsibilities. The candidate should have strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work cooperatively.

The Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine seeks to lead, enable, and inspire others to attain a healthier world for animals and people. Consistently ranked among the top veterinary schools in the world, the college is a global leader in outstanding multidisciplinary clinical and diagnostic services as well as exemplary animal care. The college continuously produces a stream of scientific breakthroughs while also preparing students, veterinarians, and scientists to assume vital roles in scientific inquiry, local and global health, public policy and clinical, population, and diagnostic veterinary medicine.

Cornell University is a center for discovery, academic leadership, and service. Commitment to achieving excellence through diversity and inclusion has been Cornell University’s heritage. We
are a recognized employer and educator valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans and Individuals with Disabilities. We welcome candidates who are equally committed to these values and who will strengthen our climate by fostering diversity and inclusion. The College of Veterinary Medicine also seeks to meet the needs of dual career couples through Cornell’s Dual Career Program and membership in the Upstate New York Higher Education Recruitment Consortium www.hercjobs.org/upstateNy.

Cornell is in Ithaca on the shores of Cayuga Lake in the beautiful Finger Lakes region of New York State. Ithaca is a vibrant city with art museums, theaters, a diverse selection of restaurants, and a very well supported public education system. It is within driving distance of several large metropolitan centers, award-winning wineries, and downhill skiing areas. Ithaca is a nature-lover’s paradise with ample opportunities for outdoor activities. Easy campus-to-campus bus transportation allows one to explore or work in NYC while enjoying the “Ithaca is Gorges” lifestyle.

Salary, rank, and title will be commensurate with academic credentials and experience.

For more information, go to: https://www.vet.cornell.edu/departments/clinical-sciences/employment-opportunities or contact Dr. James Morrisey, Chair of the Search Committee at morrisey@cornell.edu.

Electronic application submission is through Academic Jobs Online: https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/18472.

The required sections of the application include: a cover letter including statement of career goals; curriculum vitae; statement of teaching philosophy and goals, as appropriate research interests and plans, and contributions to inclusion and diversity; and email addresses for letter requests of 3 referees who will be invited to upload their letters at this site. Please ensure the “email notify writer on submit” box is selected upon submission. If you have concerns with submitting your references online, please contact the Chair of the Search Committee.

The safety and well-being of applicants and our team members is of the utmost importance. Because of campus closures and the likelihood of ongoing travel restrictions due to the COVID-19 outbreak, we will be conducting virtual interviews with qualified candidates for this position with the intention of scheduling additional in-person meetings as permitted.

Review of applications will begin on April 26, 2021, and continue until the position is filled. To receive full consideration, applications should be submitted by May 15, 2021.

What is a Statement of Contribution to Diversity?

This statement invites applicants to describe their past, present, and/or future efforts at promoting equity, inclusion, and diversity in their careers as researchers and educators. It should convey how they see these continuing at Cornell, and can focus on teaching, research, or service.