Swine Medicine Education Center Fellowship

The Swine Medicine Education Center (SMEC) at Iowa State University is accepting applications for post-DVM fellowships. This fellowship position is at the center of swine medicine in the United States and would routinely interact with the Iowa State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, state and federal animal health agencies, most of the top twenty-five pork production companies in the US and a wide range of international veterinarians, scientists and producers. Current fellows have been among the first to investigate field cases of Seneca Valley Virus, leaders in developing an infectious lameness model and published the first study demonstrating NSAID delivery to piglets through the sow’s milk. The successful applicant will be involved in clinical instruction of domestic and international veterinary students, applied research focused on swine medicine, and field investigations of disease outbreaks in client herds. Further, SMEC encourages, and funds, the pursuit of an appropriate graduate degree and/or specialty board certification as part of the fellowship. The Swine Medicine Education Center (SMEC) is a unique collaboration between the Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine, AMVC in Audubon, Iowa and swine medicine stakeholders throughout the United States. The mission of SMEC is to collect and synthesize the best practices for clinical swine medicine and to translate and disseminate those practices to stakeholders who can apply them to improve swine health, ensure pork safety, maintain sustainability, and conserve resources.

The primary responsibilities of this position include teaching and applied research to support SMEC objectives, clinical practice including field investigations supporting veterinarians and swine producers in the United States, and pursuit of a graduate degree (M.S. or PhD as appropriate) and/or specialty board certification in Swine Health Management, Clinical Pharmacology, or Preventive Medicine.

Minimum requirements for the position include: 1) graduation from a veterinary college accredited by the AVMA by June 1, 2016; 2) licensure or eligibility for licensure in the State of Iowa; 3) accreditation or eligibility for accreditation by the USDA 4) a valid driver’s license and 5) demonstrated focus on swine medicine. Practice experience is preferred. This is a paid position that also provides health benefits, tuition, continuing education costs and use of a wide range of practice equipment and resources. To apply or inquire, contact Dr. Locke A. Karriker, SMEC Director (karriker@iastate.edu; 515-294-2283). Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found.

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