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Veterinary Studies Internship (BIOL 490): Comprehensive Clinical & Shelter Experience



Francis Marion University



It is our hope that our Veterinary Studies Internship (BIOL 490) gives students a complete look into shelter/rescue medicine. Students will be able to help in the care and treatment of animals from the time of their rescue to their transport into their forever home. Contact Veterinary Studies Coordinator, Dr. Tamatha Barbeau (tbarbeau@fmarion.edu), to talk about Francis Marion University credit for Internship. (You must be currently enrolled at FMU to receive credit.) If you just want to volunteer with Lucky Dog, without credit, contact Kayla Wilson (KaylaW@LuckyDogAnimalRescue.org).

All animals who are old enough are given a rabies vaccination immediately upon arriving at the Lucky Dog Campus.

Work with Full Time On-Site Veterinarian

- Monitor and assist in surgeries and emergency procedures
 - Spay and Neuters are performed on cats and dogs three days a week
 - Specialized and emergency surgeries as needed
- Assist in diagnosing, treating, and caring for ICU patients in our on-site ICU clinic
 - Parvovirus
 - Upper Respiratory Infections
 - Pneumonia
 - Ringworm
 - Skin infections
 - Ext.
- Learn to read X-Rays and Ultrasounds
- Learn to read fecal samples and treatments for intestinal parasites
- Learn heartworm protocol and assist in treatment
- Assist transport week in making sure animals are healthy and ready for transport

Work with Medical and Surgery Tech

- Pre-op and Post-op care
- Administer and charting of vaccines
- Administer and charting of daily medication
- Prep for the following days surgeries
- Learn to draw blood from dogs and cats
- Learn ICU safety protocols
 - Puppy Protocol
 - Parvovirus Protocol
 - Order of Care
 - Upper Respiratory
 - Ext.

Work with Office/Site Director

- Learn intake procedure for dogs and cats
- Learn how to heartworm test dogs
- Learn how to test cats for feline leukemia and feline aids
- Work in Lucky Dogs medical system ShelterLuv
 - Read medical records
 - Chart medical procedures and surgeries
 - Prepare medical documents for animal transport
- Prepare records for animal transport