



Department of Population Medicine, Ontario Veterinary College

FACULTY POSITION IN CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS

The Department of Population Medicine, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, is seeking applicants for a tenure-track faculty position in Veterinary Communications at the Assistant or Associate Professor level. Applicants should have training to the PhD or DVSc level in medical or veterinary client communications or in a related field involving medical or veterinary communications. Preference will be given for candidates with previous experience in teaching communications as a principal instructor or as a teaching assistant at a veterinary or medical school will be required. Private veterinary practice experience and the completion of a course in the pedagogy of veterinary communications will be an asset. It will be an advantage to have a DVM. Effective communication skills and a collegial attitude that will support active involvement in teaching and research are required. The position will include approximately 45% research, 45% teaching and 10% service.

The successful candidate will have a strong grounding in communications in a medical field and graduate training in either epidemiology or a related field. A primary responsibility will be to develop a research program on veterinary-client communication and acquire research funds to support graduate student training to the MSc and PhD level. He or she will actively participate in the integration of the communication courses in the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine curriculum into the Primary Healthcare Centre. The successful candidate will teach communications courses in all four phases of the professional veterinary program. Graduate teaching will include a core Communications and Leadership course taught in the MPH program and other graduate courses required to support the needs of the students in the candidate's research program.

The Department of Population Medicine is home to a diverse team of faculty members working in veterinary epidemiology, veterinary communications, human-animal bond, farm animal and equine health management, food safety, public health, applied animal behaviour, theriogenology, and ecosystem approaches to health. The communications program is supported by a professional manager, faculty members from three departments, volunteer private veterinary practitioners and trained simulated clients.

The Ontario Veterinary College (www.ovc.uoguelph.ca) is a founding college of the University of Guelph, which is Canada's leading comprehensive university. The city of Guelph (www.city.guelph.on.ca) is a pleasant community of 100,000 people located in southern Ontario approximately one hour west of central Toronto.

Salary and rank are negotiable and commensurate with experience and qualifications. The deadline for applications is August 2, 2010 or until the position is filled. Please send a cover letter, complete curriculum vitae and three references to: Dr. Cate Dewey, Chair, Department of Population Medicine, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1G 2W1. Fax (519) 763-8621. Email: cdewey@uoguelph.ca

The University of Guelph is committed to equity in its policies, practices, and programs, supports diversity in its teaching, learning and work environments, and ensures that applications for members of underrepresented groups are seriously considered under its employment equity policy. All qualified individuals who would contribute to the further diversification of our University community are encouraged to apply.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. This appointment is subject to final budgetary approval.