

Internship Program

Animal Welfare





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01 Introduction

Welfare and ethics related to respect for animals is increasingly present in today's society. This has motivated a legislative reform at the international level, in favor of the physical stability of the different living beings that, for various reasons, remain in captivity (in zoos, slaughterhouses, recovery centers, etc.). Based on this, veterinarians have had to gradually update their practice, since they act as essential agents in the evaluation of the enclosures, in the compliance with the regulations and in the guarantee of the promotion of animal welfare. Therefore, this internship program will serve to work for 120 hours in a comprehensive and avant-garde update in this regard, delving into the ethics applicable to the different species, in their breeding, maintenance, transport and recovery.



A program that will give you access to a comprehensive update in which you will be able to put your skills into practice through the clinical management of hundreds of animals”





In veterinary medicine, the concept of “animal welfare” refers to all aspects related to the physical, emotional and behavioral health of animals. This is of utmost importance in zoos and aquariums for ethical reasons, as all actions carried out on an animal should aim to conserve the species without affecting its comfort. And in order for the veterinary specialist to get up to date on all the most important aspects of this field for an updated praxis, TECH has developed an eminently practical program perfect for this.

It is an experience that will be carried out in a prestigious international enclosure, performing various activities for the benefit of the animals sheltered in the place. Through the 120 hours that it contemplates, the veterinary graduate will be able to update themselves in a growing area.

Throughout their internship program, they will have the support and supervision of an assistant specialist who will guide them in each of the activities with the animals. To do so, they will follow a methodology that will allow them to identify abnormal behaviors and assess the conditions in which the animal is, in view of its application in zoos, slaughterhouses and sanctuaries.

Finally, thanks to this program, the student will receive a comprehensive, in-depth training focused on improving the conditions and welfare of animals. As a result, the student will be able to access new job opportunities within and outside the national territory.

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Why Study an Internship Program?

The role of veterinarians in promoting animal welfare is indispensable. In addition to ensuring compliance with current regulations, they work tirelessly to achieve ideal spaces for the breeding and care of the different species kept in captivity, whether for production, conservation or entertainment purposes. Therefore, through a pioneer program in the entire academic market, the graduate will be able to update their practice in this field in the best way: through practice. Moreover, from the hand of the best specialists.



This Internship Program will give you access to the management of both common and rare species, focusing on their veterinary requirements and the best strategies for the management of each one of them"

1. Updating from the latest technology available

This practical period includes access to the best clinical equipment available in the veterinary market. Therefore, the graduate who chooses to enroll in this Internship Program will be able to work on the knowledge of these state-of-the-art tools, their characteristics and the best strategies for their use in different types of cases. In this way, they will achieve a comprehensive update, thanks to which they will be able to offer a service of the highest level in only 3 weeks.

2. Gaining In-Depth Knowledge from the Experience of Top Specialists

TECH assigns each graduate an internship tutor who accompanies them during the 3 weeks of the internship. In this way, it ensures compliance with all the requirements for which the program was designed. They also serve as a guide so that the specialist can get the most out of it, using their experience to delve into those aspects that are most relevant and necessary for the correct promotion of animal welfare in current veterinary practice.

3. Entering First-Class Clinical Environments

Enrollment in this Internship Program will provide the graduate with the possibility of having access to hundreds of diverse clinical cases, in which they will have to use their ingenuity and the highest veterinary quality for an effective approach. In this way, they will be able to promote animal welfare in zoos, shelters and other facilities and establishments that work with these species, guaranteeing an ethical activity with them.



4. Putting the acquired knowledge into daily practice from the very first moment

TECH places special emphasis on the fact that the internship centers work according to the international guidelines of the main veterinary organizations in the world. In this way, it guarantees that everything worked on during the internship will be perfectly applicable in any clinical context to which the graduate will have access afterwards.

5. Expanding the Boundaries of Knowledge

The practical stay of this program can be carried out in multiple centers on the international scene. In this way, TECH offers a unique experience and an unparalleled opportunity to move to different parts of the world and learn how they work there, allowing the graduate to work, in addition to their professional skills as a veterinarian, in the improvement of other skills such as those related to language or culture.



*You will have full practical immersion
at the center of your choice"*

03 Objectives

The objective of the proposed internship program in Animal Welfare is to provide the students with all the knowledge and tools needed to guarantee the comfort and welfare of animals outside their natural habitat. As a result, your professional profile will be raised to the next level, allowing you to access the international job market.



General Objectives

- Analyze the concept of Animal Welfare in the current social and industrial context
- Examine human involvement in the welfare of animals in the different areas related to their breeding and maintenance
- Establish animal welfare evaluation systems in zoos, recovery centers and other facilities
- Base the knowledge of applied animal ethology in the current veterinary context





Specific Objectives

- ♦ Analyze the concept of animal welfare
- ♦ Examine human involvement in animal welfare
- ♦ Establish animal welfare assessment systems
- ♦ Provide a foundation of knowledge of applied animal ethology
- ♦ Examine ethology as a fundamental item in animal welfare
- ♦ Analyze the ethological basis for the main species of interest
- ♦ Analyze the ethical implications of the treatment of animals in society
- ♦ Substantiate the different ethical theories concerning animals
- ♦ Generate critical awareness of human responsibility toward animals
- ♦ Examine our role in animal welfare
- ♦ Compile all the information on implementing animal welfare regulations
- ♦ Define all the links involved in animal protection regulations
- ♦ Analyze the information on animal protection at the international level
- ♦ Analyze and compile all information on welfare in pig farms
- ♦ Identify animal welfare issues in dairy and beef cattle production
- ♦ Examine poultry establishments for both egg and meat production from an animal welfare standpoint
- ♦ Analyze welfare in different species of interest
- ♦ Generate different points of view on the management and welfare of non-classical livestock species
- ♦ Identify welfare problems in companion animals
- ♦ Present welfare in beekeeping as a new field within the science of animal welfare
- ♦ Define welfare problems in zoo and shelter animals
- ♦ Assess animal welfare problems in shows and events
- ♦ Analyze the welfare of experimental and teaching animals
- ♦ Develop the concept of "sentient being" in fishes
- ♦ Examine welfare assessment in fish farming
- ♦ Identify facility and management problems in fish welfare
- ♦ Understand welfare in aquarium fish
- ♦ Discuss proper handling guidelines for effective livestock transport
- ♦ Examine the factors involved in livestock transportation
- ♦ Relate transport to health and productivity
- ♦ Examine neurological and physiological principles in stunning and slaughtering
- ♦ Assess the effectiveness of stunning systems and detect animals at risk of regaining consciousness
- ♦ Determine the main risk factors in improper stunning
- ♦ Identify the repercussions of the stunning system on meat quality

04 Educational Plan

In this training proposal, completely practical in nature, the activities are aimed at developing and perfecting the skills necessary for the provision of veterinary care in areas and conditions that require a high level of qualification, and which are oriented to the specific training for the exercise of the activity in an environment of safety and high professional performance.

The practical teaching will be carried out with the active participation of the student performing the activities and procedures of each area of skill (learning to learn and learning to do), with the accompaniment and guidance of teachers and other training partners that facilitate teamwork and multidisciplinary integration as transversal skills for the veterinary praxis (learning to be and learning to relate).

All this during 3 weeks in which the graduate will have access to the clinic from Monday to Friday in 8-hour days and accompanied by a veterinary professional of the highest level. In this way, they will be able to immerse themselves considerably in each case, making use of the experience of their specialized tutor to get the most out of this opportunity that TECH offers them to update themselves in the best way.



The procedures described below will be the basis of the practical part of the training, and their implementation will be subject to the center’s own availability and workload, the proposed activities being the following:

Module	Practical Activity
Animal welfare and ethics in the conservation of different species	Analyze the physiological stress response of different species
	Work on the evaluation of chronic and acute stress response
	Analyze "Eustress" and "Distress"
	Carry out a freedom and needs assessment
	Evaluate animal welfare assessment systems
	Understand animal welfare assessment protocols
	Deepen the assessment of social, personal and professional ethics
	Understand animal ethics and morality in detail
	Understand in detail the different examinations of distress and happiness in animals
	Analyze the welfare of companion animals Dogs and Cats
	Delve into the best systems for housing evaluation
	Conduct responsible animal husbandry screening
	Develop various welfare problem examinations
Applied Animal Ethology	Analyze applied animal ethology and its relationship with animal welfare
	Delve into the Assessment of Behaviour Organization
	Work on the evaluation of the effect of domestication on animal behavior
	Analyze the Individual Animal Behavior
	Work on updates related to social and reproductive behavior
	Develop an examination of infantile and parental behavior
	Analyze applied ethology in dogs and cats
Evaluate environmental enrichment	

Module	Practical Activity
Animal protection legislation and maintenance of facilities and establishments	Evaluate animal welfare legislation in general
	Analyze welfare in pet boarding facilities
	Analyze the functions in pet boarding facilities
	Develop a physical and emotional health examination of animals in pet boarding homes
	Implement an examination of welfare indicators in pet boarding kennels
	Assess wellness problems in pet boarding facilities
	Examine food-related problems
Guarantees in the transportation of animals	Develop tests of animal behavior during handling and transportation
	Evaluate factors involved in welfare during transportation
	Evaluate the impact of transportation on the animal

“Receive specialized education in an institution that can offer you all these possibilities, with an innovative academic program and a human team that will help you develop your full potential”

05 Where Can I Do the Internship Program?

Always seeking excellence, TECH has arranged to broaden the academic and work horizons of students through a practical stay in an animal facility of international prestige. In this way, it is a unique opportunity for the student to continue to grow in their area of work, alongside the best veterinary specialists in the sector and through a praxis of the highest level based on the latest developments related to the promotion of animal welfare.

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You will be able to learn in 3 weeks what many take years to learn. Sign up for the program and you will be able to do it in a prestigious center”





The student will be able to do this program at the following centers:



Veterinary-medicine

Asociación Teanima

Country	City
Spain	Madrid

Address: Autovía del Suroeste, km 10,600, 28925 Venta la Rubia, Madrid

Non-profit organization for the promotion of health through animal therapy

Related internship programs:

- Animal Welfare
- Animal-Assisted Therapies



Veterinary-medicine

Vive Pet Resort

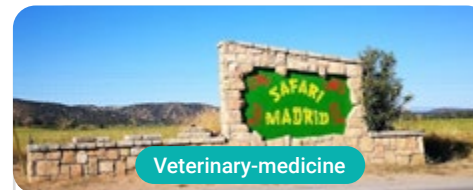
Country	City
Spain	Madrid

Address: Carretera el Escorial, 19, 28232 Las Rozas de Madrid

-Animal Boarding Facilities

Related internship programs:

- Animal Welfare



Veterinary-medicine

Safari Madrid

Country	City
Spain	Madrid

Address: Carretera Navacarnero-Cadalso de los Vidrios, km 22, 28620 Aldea del Fresno, Madrid

Animal preservation and conservation center

Related internship programs:

- Animal Welfare



Veterinary-medicine

Zoológico El Bosque

Country	City
Spain	Asturias

Address: Los Molinos, 19, 33195 San Esteban de las Cruces, Asturias

Zoo specialized in rescue and recovery of exotic species

Related internship programs:

- Animal Welfare
- Veterinary Nutrition



Veterinary-medicine

SAVET Sanatorio Veterinario

Country: Argentina
City: Río Negro

Address: Santa Cruz 1515 General Roca,
Río Negro

Veterinary clinic with supplies and materials
of the latest generation

Related internship programs:

- Veterinary Anesthesiology
- Veterinary Emergencies in Small Animals



Veterinary-medicine

Clínica Veterinaria Don Bosco

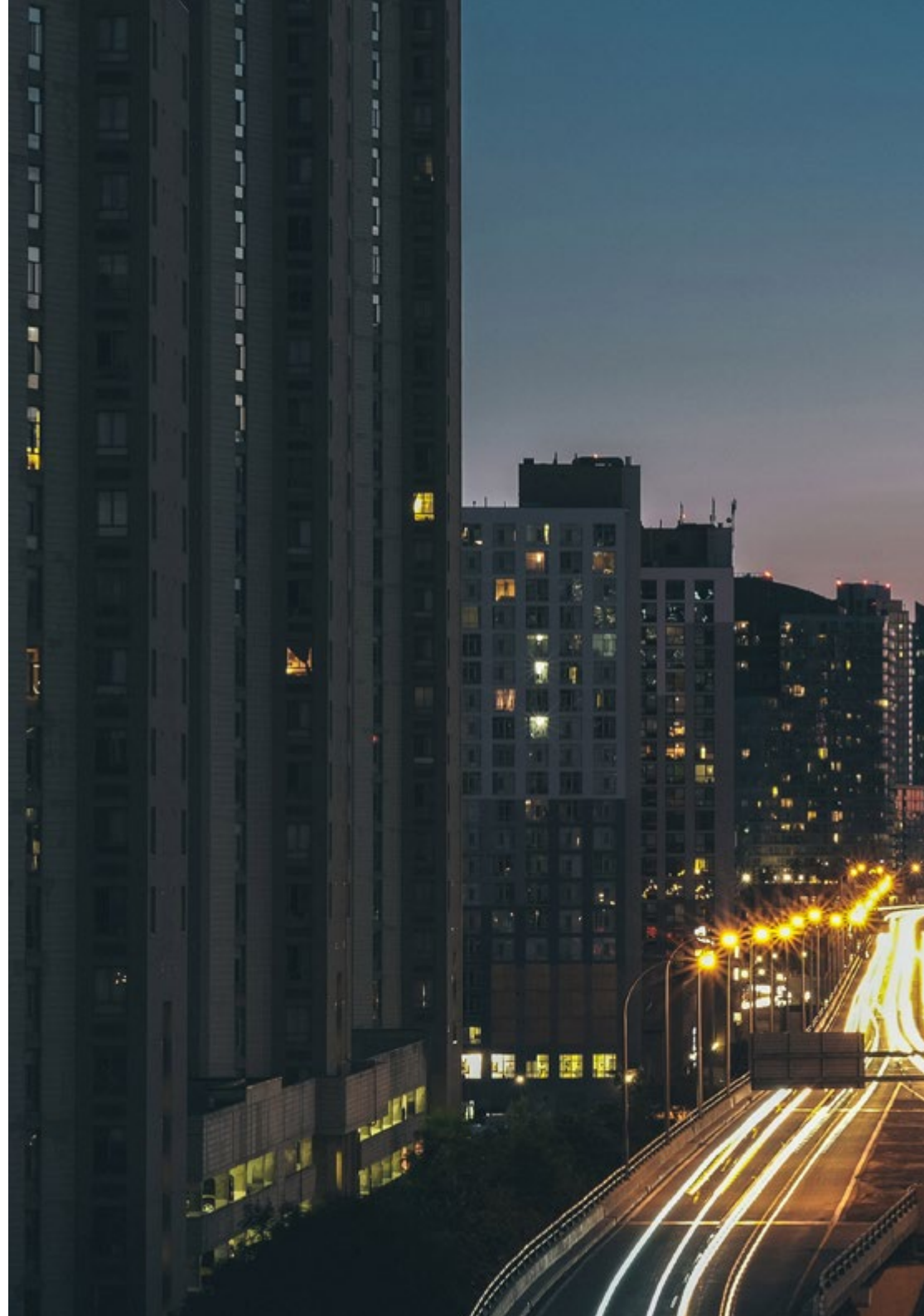
Country: Argentina
City: Buenos Aires

Address: Conquista de Desierto 662,
Ezeiza, Bs. As

Clinic of general and specific specialties of Veterinary
Medicine

Related internship programs:

- Veterinary Anesthesiology
- Veterinary Emergencies in Small Animals





Veterinary-medicine

Veterinaria Palo Verde

Country	City
Mexico	Mexico City

Address: Cerro del Otate 20, Romero de Terreros, Coyoacán, 04310 Ciudad de México, CDMX

Clinical Veterinary with more than 30 years of experience in care of pets

Related internship programs:

- Internal Medicine in Small Animals
- Animal Welfare



Take advantage of this opportunity to surround yourself with expert professionals and learn from their work methodology”

06

General Conditions

Civil Liability Insurance

This institution's main concern is to guarantee the safety of the trainees and other collaborating agents involved in the internship process at the company. Among the measures dedicated to achieve this is the response to any incident that may occur during the entire teaching-learning process.

To this end, this entity commits to purchasing a civil liability insurance policy to cover any eventuality that may arise during the course of the internship at the center.

This liability policy for interns will have broad coverage and will be taken out prior to the start of the Internship Program period. That way professionals will not have to worry in case of having to face an unexpected situation and will be covered until the end of the internship program at the center.



General Conditions of the Internship Program

The general terms and conditions of the internship agreement for the program are as follows:

1. TUTOR: During the Internship Program, students will be assigned with two tutors who will accompany them throughout the process, answering any doubts and questions that may arise. On the one hand, there will be a professional tutor belonging to the internship center who will have the purpose of guiding and supporting the student at all times. On the other hand, they will also be assigned with an academic tutor, whose mission will be to coordinate and help the students during the whole process, solving doubts and facilitating everything they may need. In this way, the student will be accompanied and will be able to discuss any doubts that may arise, both clinical and academic.

2. DURATION: The internship program will have a duration of three continuous weeks, in 8-hour days, 5 days a week. The days of attendance and the schedule will be the responsibility of the center and the professional will be informed well in advance so that they can make the appropriate arrangements.

3. ABSENCE: If the students does not show up on the start date of the Internship Program, they will lose the right to it, without the possibility of reimbursement or change of dates. Absence for more than two days from the internship, without justification or a medical reason, will result in the professional's withdrawal from the internship, therefore, automatic termination of the internship. Any problems that may arise during the course of the internship must be urgently reported to the academic tutor.

4. CERTIFICATION: Professionals who pass the Internship Program will receive a certificate accrediting their stay at the center.

5. EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP: The Internship Program shall not constitute an employment relationship of any kind.

6. PRIOR EDUCATION: Some centers may require a certificate of prior education for the Internship Program. In these cases, it will be necessary to submit it to the TECH internship department so that the assignment of the chosen center can be confirmed.

7. DOES NOT INCLUDE: The Internship Program will not include any element not described in the present conditions. Therefore, it does not include accommodation, transportation to the city where the internship takes place, visas or any other items not listed.

However, students may consult with their academic tutor for any questions or recommendations in this regard. The academic tutor will provide the student with all the necessary information to facilitate the procedures in any case.

07 Certificate

This program will allow you to obtain your **Internship Program diploma in Animal Welfare** endorsed by **TECH Global University**, the world's largest online university.

TECH Global University is an official European University publicly recognized by the Government of Andorra ([official bulletin](#)). Andorra is part of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) since 2003. The EHEA is an initiative promoted by the European Union that aims to organize the international training framework and harmonize the higher education systems of the member countries of this space. The project promotes common values, the implementation of collaborative tools and strengthening its quality assurance mechanisms to enhance collaboration and mobility among students, researchers and academics.

This **TECH Global University** title is a European program of continuing education and professional updating that guarantees the acquisition of competencies in its area of knowledge, providing a high curricular value to the student who completes the program.

Title: **Internship Program in Animal Welfare**

Duration: **3 weeks**

Attendance: **Monday to Friday, 8-hour consecutive shifts**

Accreditation: **5 ECTS**



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