

Wildlife and Ecosystem Health Residency



The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Columbus Zoo and Aquarium The Wilds

We are currently accepting applications for an ACZM compliant residency in Wildlife and Ecosystem Health. This is a unique cooperative program between **The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium** and **The Wilds**. This program will provide trainees with coursework, zoological medicine training and field experience emphasizing a One Health approach to the study of nondomestic animal health and leading to a Master's degree at the completion of the residency, in addition to ACZM board exam eligibility. This program is uniquely designed to prepare conservation medicine clinicians to advance the field on a national and international scale through clinical service, research and education.

The proposed residency program is designed to provide trainees with experience in epidemiology, zoological medicine, semi-free ranging herd medicine, coursework and ecosystem-based field research. National and international opportunities for research and clinical experience will be available depending on the current partners and affiliations.

This is a three-year, three-phase program. The resident will spend the first year of the program in coursework in support of the resident's chosen area of research at [Ohio State](#), as well as in orientation at the [Columbus Zoo](#), beginning to take on clinical work in cooperation with Zoo clinicians. During this year, the resident will propose and begin planning for masters' research. The second year of the residency will be spent primarily focusing on zoological medicine at the Columbus Zoo. The third year of the residency will be spent primarily in residence in [The Wilds](#), managing clinical medicine for the semi-free ranging collection utilizing a 10,000-acre local field site, and conducting research toward completion of the Master's degree.

To be eligible for the program, a candidate must possess a DVM or equivalent professional degree, be eligible to receive a license to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Ohio, and be eligible to work in the United States. Veterinarians with one or more years of experience working with zoological species will be preferentially considered.

The residency will begin approximately July 1, 2026. Applications for this program should be submitted via the below links on [OSU Workday Jobs](#) by October 15, 2025 and should include a letter of intent, curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation and veterinary school transcripts. Documents can be uploaded as one single combined .pdf or as individual documents to this site. Transcripts and reference letters should be sent to applicants to upload to Workday directly. The candidate selected for this residency search will be provided with instructions on submitting an official Graduate School application if they will be completing a Master's degree program as well. Any questions can be directed to Ms. Casey Hofmann at hofmann.75@osu.edu with the College of Veterinary Medicine at Ohio State University.

Please also submit your information online via the applicable link:

- **External applicants apply at:** [https://www.myworkday.com/osu/d/inst/15\\$392530/9925\\$320194.html](https://www.myworkday.com/osu/d/inst/15$392530/9925$320194.html)
- **OSU Internal applicants apply at:** https://osu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/OSUCareers/job/Columbus-Campus/Veterinary-Resident-House-Officer_R135677-1
- **Further information can be obtained at:** <https://vet.osu.edu/education/programs/residencies/zoo-wildlife-medicine-residency>

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