

College of Veterinary Medicine

The Washington State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital seeks to fill an Anesthesia **Technician 3 Specialist** position. The position will work in collaboration with the hospital's anesthesiologists to coordinate patient anesthesia schedules, check pre-op work ups, administer pre-op and induction medications, intubate and maintain an appropriate level of sedation or anesthesia. This position will also be involved with venous and arterial catheterization, and patient instrumentation as appropriate for the procedure. At this level the position is expected to have the ability to manage an ASA 4 or 5 level case with minimal support and for this reason requires a Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) designation. Managing these cases means working in conjunction with clinicians and students to handle technical problems related to the delivery of anesthesia to patients which may include but is not limited to addressing inappropriate anesthetic depths, changes to cardiovascular status, addressing cardiac arrhythmias, and trouble-shooting monitor or equipment issues. There will also be a significant amount of teaching and mentoring to the fourth year veterinary students. This position will work with both large and small animal patients and therefore must have experience with both. It will oversee and be expected to complete medical records to maintain patient data essential for accurate anesthesia records as well as insure proper charge capture. This position will also be expected to perform various analgesic blocks such as epidurals, dental blocks and brachial plexus blocks. There will be occasional on-call responsibilities. The expected schedule for this position will be Monday through Friday 12 pm (noon) to 8:30pm.

Position Qualifications Must be qualified for a Washington State Veterinary Technician License through the Department of Health at the time of application for this position. This licensure requires graduation from an American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) accredited veterinary technician program AND a passing grade on the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE). Other required qualifications include:

- *Veterinary Technician Specialty (VTS) in anesthesia
- *Passing WSU radiation safety training exam first time it is available.
- *Experience with anesthesia in both large and small animals.
- *Must be able to work on an occasional on-call schedule.

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