

Website Summary for ACVD Website

1. Program name and location:
 - **Pet Derm: Allergy, Skin, and Ear Specialists**
 - **1030 N. Larrabee Street, Chicago, IL 60610**
 - **Satellite location (1 day a week with direct mentor contact time)**
 - **700 Oak Street, Winnetka, IL 60093**
2. Has the program ever been placed on ACVD Probation within the past 8 years?
 - **No**
3. Mentor(s):
 - Name: Matthew Levinson – Primary mentor**
 - 1. Years in ACVD: 6**
 - 2. Years as Mentor: 0**
 - Name: Nellie Choi- Co-mentor**
 - 1. Years in ACVD: 7**
 - 2. Years as Mentor: 0**
 - Name: Morgan Mathai – Co-mentor**
 - 1. Years in ACVD: 1**
 - 2. Years as Mentor: 0**
4. Specific requirements for applying to the program:
 - **Minimum of 3 years of general practice or 1-year rotating internship and/or internship in veterinary dermatologist**
 - **Graduated from accredited/AVMA approved veterinary school**
 - **Licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the United States and the state of the Illinois**
 - **Meets the ACVD residency requirements**
5. Length of residency in years:
 - **3**
6. Is a Master's degree or PhD required? If so, which?
 - **No**
7. Is the program Provisional or Established?
 - **Provisional**
8. Is the program funded by the parent institution or an external source? (if external, name the funder)
 - **Parent institution**
- A. Is a post-residency commitment required? (if so, describe)
 - **No**
- B. What is the annual resident salary?

- **\$70,000 (year 1), \$80,000 (year 2), \$90,000 (year 3)**

C. Other resident benefits: (Please give a general list of benefits and then whom a potential candidate should contact to get more specific information on benefit packages)

- **Benefits include:**
 - **Medical, vision, and dental insurance coverage**
 - **401K with 4% match**
 - **Paid time off**
 - **Continue education allotment**
 - **Contact Matt Levinson, DVM, DACVD at Matthew.Levinson@petderm.com for more information**

9. How many residents does the program train concurrently?

- **1**

A. How many residents have been accepted into the program since inception?

- **None, new program**

b. How many of these have become board certified dermatologists?

- **None, new program**

10. What is the average annual dermatology caseload for the institution over the past 5 years? **4600 cases per year**

11. What is the average total caseload seen the entire residency?

- **13,800 cases (average cases annually multiplied by the number of years of residency- includes those seen by mentors and the resident. The resident will personally see greater than the required minimum of 1477 total cases over the course of the 3 year program)**

12. On average, how many new patients, rechecks and consults does the program see per year? (actual numbers of cases)

a. **New cases – 1200 per year**

b. **Rechecks – 3400 per year**

c. **Consults – We take several phone and email consults from primary veterinarians weekly.**

13. On average, what percentage of the program's cases are dogs and cats?

a. **Dogs -76%**

b. **Cats -24%**

14. On average, how many exotic, equine and farm animal cases does the program see per year?

a. **Exotics- 0-5**

b. **Equine – 0-5**

c. **Farm animals- 0-5**

15. What percentage of time is the mentor physically in clinics with the resident while the resident is seeing cases during the resident's

First year: **95%**
Second year: **85%**
Third year: **75%**

16. Does the program have access to other specialists?

If so, please list: Yes, we have strong relationships with two multi-specialty hospitals in the area and have direct access to the specialists for questions and case discussion.

17. Please describe your library access:

- **We have access to electronic and physical textbooks, Oklahoma State University's online library, journals accessible through the ACVD, and VIN**

18. Does the program have statistical support for their residents' research projects?

- **Yes**

19. Does the program have direct access to any basic science or clinical science laboratories that the resident can use for research purposes? If yes, please describe the types of laboratories available and interactions that the resident may have with them.

- **No direct on-site access. We have strong relationships with Oklahoma State University and locally, Northwestern University, for permission to have direct access for basic and clinical science laboratories.**

20. How often do the residents and mentors have the following rounds? (For each type of rounds, please list how often they are held, how long each session is, and a detailed description of how they are conducted.)

a. Case rounds: Daily to Weekly (minimum 2 hours) – Discussion of current and referred cases with mentors will be conducted on a more informal basis daily with more structured case rounds weekly to discuss more challenging cases. These discussions will review the cases that will lead to constructive feedback and topics to review based on the case.

b. Journal club: Twice monthly (4 hours total/month) – Review of recent veterinary and human immunology and dermatology literature. Older articles that are clinically relevant may occasionally be assigned when related to pertinent subject for that weekly/month. Reading assignments will be sent electronically and 3 to 6 articles.

c. Histopathology training: Biweekly (4 hours/month) – Joint review of biopsy slides with dermatopathology mentor. Sessions will consist between reviewing submitted cases from the residents and mystery slides. In addition, there will be assigned readings from dermatohistopathology review articles, materials from resident education forums, and textbook

d. Basic science learning rounds: Monthly (4 hours/month) – A formal discussion and training on the topics outline by the ACVD residency program will occur

virtually monthly in collaboration with resident(s) and mentors. The resident will be assigned a topic to review and present. The Primary mentor will be available for guidance and any questions related to the topic in the weeks leading up to the monthly training day.

20. Resident's benefits: (Please give a general list of benefits and then whom a potential candidate should contact to get more specific information on salary and benefit packages)

- **Benefits include:**
 - **Medical, vision, and dental insurance coverage**
 - **Paid fees for licensures**
 - **401K with 4% match**
 - **Paid time off**
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21. Does the program allow the resident to attend the NAVDF (North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum) meeting annually?

- **Yes**

22. Does the program pay for the resident to attend the NAVDF meeting annually?

- **Yes**

23. Average number of days a resident will spend on clinics per month:

- **16**

24. Average number of workdays a resident will spend on non-clinical pursuits per month (based on a 5-day workweek)

- **4**

25. Does the resident have to take general medicine emergency duty? If so how often:

- **No**

26. Does the resident take Dermatology emergency duty?

If so how often:

- **No**

27. Is time allotted for externships in other subspecialties or at other dermatology practices? If so explain:

- **Up to 3 weeks total is allotted at other subspecialties or with another dermatology practice**

28. How much time is allotted to carry out a research project (grant writing, data collection, paper preparation) during the residency (please report in number of weeks)?

- **Up to 8 weeks total.**

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29. What are the other responsibilities/duties of the resident?

- **Client communication and communication with referring veterinarians**
- **Primary case responsibilities of developing competency of history taking, physical exam, differential diagnoses, diagnostic testing and result interpretation, and treatment plans**
- **Develop strong skill set in performing dermatological procedures involving the video-otoscope, cryotherapy, and CO2 laser.**
- **Developing clinical competency in interpretation and associated stains when reviewing dermatohistopathology**
- **Maintain a positive attitude and professionalism**
- **Promote teamwork**
- **Writing detailed records for all cases the Resident is involved in**
- **Maintain a case log**
- **Complete study assignments assigned by the mentor(s)**

30. How many residents has the program had over the past 6 years?

- **None (new program)**

31. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed credentials on the:

- **N/A (new program)**

32. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) sat boards for the first time:

- **N/A (new program)**

33. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed the board exam on their:

- **N/A (new program)**

34. Is your residency program reviewed by an outside committee at your university?
If yes, how often?

- **No**

35. Please list the papers published by your last 5 residents.

- **N/A (new program)**

36. Names of your last 5 residents and whether they are willing to be contacted by potential residents:

- **N/A (new program)**