For Students Working with Faculty Mentors at Institutions other than Texas A&M University:

**Student**

Name

Classification  V1  V2

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**Faculty Mentor**

Name

Institution

Department

Address

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Phone

**CVM Faculty Sponsor**

Name

Department

E-Mail

Phone
The Summer Veterinary Student Research Fellowship Program provides hands-on research experiences to first- and second-year professional veterinary students. The program consists of 12 weeks of mentored research, augmented by an orientation to research, weekly seminars, and at least one field trip. The purpose is to introduce students to research in the hope that some will find this an attractive career option.

**Student Responsibilities.** Student Fellows will
- prepare a research proposal, with assistance from his/her mentor (Deadline: January 30, 2004).
- conduct research in the mentor’s lab for a 12-week period, approximately 40 hours per week (May 10 – July 30, 2004)
- attend the weekly seminars and the mandatory orientation sessions (May 10-11, 2004).
- participate in the field trip to M.D. Anderson Science Park (Bastrop, TX; date to be determined)
- make an oral presentation of their research at the Veterinary Summer Research Conference (August 18, 2004).

Students are encouraged, but not required, to submit a manuscript for publication, if deemed appropriate by the mentor, and to prepare a poster and attend the Merck Merial Veterinary Scholars Symposium (date and place to be determined).

**Mentor Responsibilities.** Faculty mentors will
- guide the student in preparation of a research proposal (Deadline: January 30, 2004).
- provide direct guidance and supervision of student’s research during the 12-week period (May 10 – July 30, 2004).
- provide research materials and laboratory space to support the student in conducting the research.
- instruct the student in laboratory safety practices.
- assist the student in preparing an oral presentation for the Veterinary Summer Research Conference (August 18, 2004)
- guide the student in preparing a manuscript for publication, if appropriate, and in preparing a poster for the Merck Merial Veterinary Scholars Symposium (date and place to be determined).

**TAMU Faculty Sponsor Responsibilities.** TAMU faculty sponsors will be familiar with the faculty mentor and his/her research. As necessary or appropriate, the TAMU faculty sponsor will
- assist the student in establishing contact with the faculty mentor.
- coordinate between the student and faculty mentor in preparation of a research proposal (Deadline: January 30, 2004).
- assist the student in preparing an oral presentation for the Veterinary Summer Research Conference (August 18, 2004)

**CVM Responsibilities.** The College of Veterinary Medicine will provide
- a stipend to the student for 12 weeks of summer research (total stipend: $4,000).
- an orientation to scientific research, ethics in research, and appropriate use of experimental animals.
- lunch seminars, presented by selected TAMU scientists (weekly on Thursdays).
- a field trip to MD Anderson Science Park (Bastrop, TX).
- funds for printing posters for the Merck Merial Veterinary Scholars Symposium.

This form is an agreement between a student, faculty mentor, and TAMU faculty sponsor to collaborate in submitting a research proposal (Deadline: January 30, 2004). If necessary, this agreement may be terminated prior to submission of the proposal. The student may select a different mentor and re-submit this agreement at any time prior to January 30, 2004.

The 2004 Student Fellows will be selected on the basis of the quality of their proposals and the student’s academic performance in the professional curriculum. The College anticipates being able to support 8-10 Fellows in the program, with the actual number dependent on the success of pending grant applications.

Student: ___________________________________________ Faculty Mentor: ___________________________________________

CVM Faculty Sponsor: ___________________________________________

(Deadline: Wednesday, November 26, to Lisa Reyes, Office of the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies)