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Example CV Small animal veterinary

Careers and
Employability Service

Use your personal profile to demonstrate your enthusiasm for the species area you are applying to. Tailor your profile to the role and the practice to show the employer how you will fit within their team.

At this stage there is no need for you to include your GCSEs or A levels on your CV. Do include both degrees and the 'University Of Nottingham' in this section.

You do not need to include all of your EMS placements. Choose the most recent and relevant to the role you are applying for, these are likely to be your clinical placements not your animal husbandry as you get nearer to graduation. Employers know you have done the minimum placements in all specialisms in order to graduate. List your experiences in reverse chronological order.

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PERSONAL PROFILE

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EDUCATION

University of Nottingham, **20XX-present**

- BVM BVS in Veterinary Medicine and Surgery expected July 20XX
- BVMedSci (Hons) Degree – 1st class classification obtained July 20XX

SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY CLINICAL ROTATIONS/PLACEMENT

RSPCA Woodside, Leicester, 2 weeks February 20XX

- Independently completed perioperative management of a dog castration and bitch spay including admission and pre-anaesthetic assessment, post-operative recovery and discharge
- Completed a cat spay and two cat castrations under supervision
- Assisted the vet with a number of diagnostic procedures including positioning for radiography for assessment of an elderly cat with a stifle swelling, and restraint for ultrasound examination of an entire bitch to check for pyometra
- Conducted blood sampling and IV catheter placement
- Conducted an induction, maintenance and monitoring of anaesthesia under supervision

Pinfold Vets, Derby, 2 weeks January 20XX

- Conducted independent consults, performing thorough examination
- Strong client communication demonstrated when taking patient history and understanding complaint through active questioning and listening
- Performed routine dental scaling and polishing in a dog
- Administered first and second vaccinations to puppies and kittens
- Administered routine vaccination to a rabbit, and answered questions relating to appropriate diet and prevention of dental disease
- Strong customer service and interpersonal skills utilised when taking a client history, providing treatment/procedural advice and conveying information relating to patient recovery and prognosis to clients with empathy

Vets Now, Nottingham, 2 weeks December 20XX

- Assisted with stabilisation of critical patients by working alongside the nursing team to place IV catheters, administer medications and intravenous fluid therapy
- Conducted blood sampling under nurse supervision, assisted with in-house laboratory analysis and interpretation of blood results. Learnt about effective triage and workload prioritisation

Dick White Referrals, Derby, 2 weeks October 20XX

- Experienced a range of disciplines including internal medicine, orthopaedics and soft tissue surgery
- Observed advanced level diagnostic imaging processes including CT, MRI scans and gained a better understanding of when these modalities are useful
- Gained an improved understanding of referral practice and referral processes relevant to me as a first opinion vet

Detailing your employment history can give a future employer an understanding of your skills and experience in customer service, problem-solving and communication skills. List in reverse chronological order.

Pride Veterinary Centre, Derby. 4 weeks, August 20XX

- Contributed to the veterinary team with case management, supporting first opinion and referral consultations. Refined clinical examination technique and improved tissue handling during surgery
- Worked Out of Hours for 1 week, gained a good understanding of the stresses of clients needing veterinary care in an emergency, being a calm and supportive influence

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEERING HISTORY

Volunteer for Vets in the Community (20XX – present day)

- Active project volunteer providing preventative treatments and basic health checks to pets of homeless people in Nottingham
- Communicating effectively with pet owners during clinics to educate and support the health and wellbeing of pets

Volunteer for Dogs Trust (20XX-20XX)

- Responsible for socialising dogs prior to rehoming and as such dealt with a variety of temperaments including difficult dogs
- Liaised with prospective owners communicating effectively with them to understand their situation and needs and successfully identify a suitable match

Customer assistant at The Kings Head, Warrington (20XX-20XX)

- Excellent interpersonal skills when liaising with customers to provide a friendly and professional service, taking orders and ensuring a positive experience
- Worked under pressure during busy periods and effectively managed and resolved problems or complaints

Kennel assistant at Warrington Boarding Kennels, Warrington (20XX-20XX)

- Maintained the kennels and spent time playing and walking dogs. Valuable experience gained in animal handling and understanding canine body language

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Student member of BSAVA
- Full clean driving licence
- Competent user of Microsoft Office

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

Treasurer for VetSoc (20XX-20XX)

- Responsible for the annual budget for society activities, monitoring member subscriptions and reporting to the Student Union Guild
- Submitted a successful funding application for £500 to support the Society's Clinical Club evening talks programme
- Actively participate in society networking and events to improve my awareness of veterinary-related topics

Running – I am interested in fitness and wellbeing and I like to run on a regular basis. I am currently training for the Nottingham half marathon in September and will be raising funds for the Dogs Trust.

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