

2-week core Small Animal Emergency Rotation (ER)

This rotation begins at 3:45 p.m. **on a Sunday**. Two weeks later it **ends at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday**, regardless of holidays and other rotation end dates.

There will be either 4 or 5 students on this rotation; there may also be supplemental students. No days out will be allowed. You are required to be back from an externship or vacation in time to start your ER on Sunday. If you schedule an externship immediately following your ER, you won't be excused early in order to travel.

This mid-Sunday afternoon to early-Sunday morning schedule will affect all hospital rotations. In some cases, you will have to find another student to care for your patient(s) on Sunday so you can start the ER on Sunday afternoon. The Clinical Sciences office will minimize your duties on other rotations as much as possible on the weekend before your ER.

On the first Sunday of every ER rotation, there will be an orientation for all ER students at 3:45 p.m. in ICU.

Emergency Duties on ER

Early Primary shift

3:45 p.m. – 12:00 midnight Early Primary must be in the VHC during the entire shift.

Back-up shift

3:45 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Back-up students are on-call* during this time.

Overnight Primary

10:30 p.m. – 7:30 a.m. Overnight Primary must be in the VHC during the entire shift, unless excused by the clinician.

Supplemental ER

Supplemental ER students will not be scheduled past midnight.

*** On-Call**

The On-Call student must be available by telephone for immediate response to a call from a clinician to assist with cases or an emergency. If you are called to come in, you are expected to return a call within 5 minutes and be at the hospital within 15 minutes.

Emergency Desk personnel must have a working phone number or a pager number to reach you. If you have recently changed your contact numbers, notify the VHC Director's office (532-4300) and the Emergency Desk (532-4100) prior to your shift.