Food Animal Internal Medicine Resident Travel Award

Description of Award: The specialty of Large Animal Internal Medicine through the FAIM Resident Award Committee will provide financial support to ACVIM residents in a Food Animal or Mixed LAIM residency program for the purpose of gaining experience in food animal internal medicine or another aspect of food animal medicine or surgery, to expand upon and enhance that which is offered by their home institution. The study period at a host institution ideally should be between four and six weeks duration, but shorter time periods will also be considered. The host institution must meet the following criteria: 1) have an active food animal caseload in the area of the resident’s interest and one that is different from the caseload at the resident's home institution; 2) have an ACVIM or ECBHM Diplomate who is willing to serve as the host Diplomate for the resident. The award will be in the amount of up to $1500 and may be used to support travel, housing, and sustenance for the resident during the study period. This is a rolling grant and you can apply at any time during the year.

Application Materials: Applicants must submit the following documents to the FAIM Resident Award Committee:

1) Current CV.
2) Letter of intent including a plan of study, a description of the resident’s home residency program and caseload, and the description of the hosting institution’s caseload. The letter should include an explanation of how the study period will enhance the training of the resident and highlight the advantages of the hosting institution.
3) Letter of support from the resident's ACVIM Program Director or Resident Advisor.
4) Letter of agreement from the hosting Diplomate.
5) Budget for expenses.
6) Time line during which the study period will occur.

The FAIM Resident Award Committee will base its decision on the following criteria:

1) Suitability of the study plan to the resident’s experience and goals.
2) Strength and reputation of the host institution.
3) Support of the Diplomates at the home and host institution.
4) Feasibility of completing study plan in time allotted.
5) Budget analysis.

Other requirements: The recipient will be required to file a written report within three months of the completion of the study period. The recipient will make an oral report at the Food Animal SIG or LAIM business meeting during the annual ACVIM Forum if requested and able to attend.

Submission Contact: Please submit materials to: Awards@ACVIM.org. The application may be submitted at any time during the year.

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