

OFF-CAMPUS BLOCK ACCEPTANCE LETTER FROM MENTOR
Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine

_____ is accepted to complete an off-campus block
(name of student)

with us at PAWS Chicago in Chicago IL for the period from _____ to _____
(practice/institution) (city, state)

_____. His/her mentors will be Dr. Von Waldau (Chief Veterinarian) and Dr. Hanek (Shelter Medicine Veterinarian), PAWS Chicago.

Credentials of Mentors:

Dr. Von Waldau -

Education (include degrees and years awarded):
BS (in Veterinary Sciences), University of IL Champaign Urbana (1991)
DVM, University of IL Champaign Urbana (1995)

Professional Experience, Special Training:
Private practice for 12 years, including 1 year relief and 1 year chief of staff at 2 private practice hospitals
PAWS Chicago for 9 months – Spay/neuter and shelter surgery
Able to perform ultrasound; endoscopy; laser surgery; dentistry (including dental X-rays); small animal, wildlife and exotics.

Dr. Hanek -

Education (include degrees and years awarded):
BS, University of IL Champaign Urbana (1986)
DVM with honors, University of IL Champaign Urbana (1990)

Professional Experience, Special Training:
Externship – Animal Care and Control 1999
Private Practice –
Palos Animal Hospital – General practice, dental, surgery, exotics
La Grange Park Animal Hospital - General practice, dental, surgery
Berwyn Animal Hospital – Emergency, general practice, dental, surgery

Please provide a brief outline of the program the student will be pursuing including what activities the student will be performing.

During the Shelter Medicine block at PAWS Chicago, the student will gain clinical experience in the practice of shelter medicine under the supervision of experienced shelter veterinarians (Dr. Von Waldau and Dr. Hanek). The student will actively participate in all aspects of the shelter environment, including animal intake and admission; client liaison; spay/neuter preparation and anesthesia; infectious disease management and quarantine in the shelter environment; medical and surgical management of individual shelter animals; and preparation for adoption. This block will provide the student with an opportunity to apply his/her knowledge of the principles of small animal infectious diseases, small animal medicine anesthesia and preparation for spay/neuter surgery in the shelter environment. There will be a focus on small animal population medicine, infectious disease control, animal welfare and pet relinquishment issues.

Please describe briefly how the student will be evaluated. An evaluation form will be provided.

The student will be evaluated using the *Off-campus block evaluation by mentor (VM 89100)* form. This form will be completed by Dr. Von Waldau and/or Dr. Hanek and Dr. Annette Litster (Director, Purdue Maddie's Shelter Medicine Program) together.

Signature of mentor _____

Date _____