

## ***Megan N. Murray***

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### **OBJECTIVE**

A hard-working well-rounded individual seeking an associate veterinarian position in a companion animal veterinary clinic with opportunity for mentorship

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine**

Expected, *May 2018*

*University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, Urbana, IL*

- Concentration on Small Animal

#### **Bachelor of Science in Biology**

*May 2014*

*North Park University*

- Concentration in Pre-Veterinary Medicine
- Summa cum laude

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Companion Animal Hospital of Norridge, Norridge, IL**

*June 2016 to Aug. 2016*

*Veterinary Technician*

- Obtained thorough histories on patients and provided client education
- Safely restrained cats and dogs for a variety of medical procedures
- Became proficient at blood draws, taking diagnostic radiographs, processing lab samples, placing IV catheters, performing parenteral injections, and intubating patients
- Interpreted fecal floats, urine cytologies, ear cytologies, and urine dipsticks
- Provided pre- and post-op surgical treatment including sedation, venipuncture, blood pressure assessment, catheterization, blood gas analysis, and recovery
- Monitored anesthesia and assisted in numerous surgeries
- Performed routine dental cleanings and extractions
- Observed both routine and nonroutine surgeries performed by board certified surgeon
- Trained new employees

#### **Wright-Way Rescue Veterinary Clinic, Morton Grove, IL**

*June 2015 to Aug. 2015*

*Veterinary Assistant*

- Took extensive histories on patients and communicated with neighboring shelter about medical needs of animals
- Provided restraint for various medical procedures on cats and dogs
- Cleaned kennels, surgery room, laboratory area, examination rooms, isolation rooms, and lobby to prevent spread of illnesses
- Monitored boarders to ensure a proper recovery from procedures
- Practiced procedures under guidance of a veterinarian including necropsies, IV catheterization, and intubation
- Helped to smoothly run once monthly low-cost vaccine clinics

#### **North Park University, Chicago, IL**

*Aug. 2013 to May 2014*

*Writing Advisor*

- Met individually with class of 30 students to review their writing assignments in science-based courses

- Guided students on proper techniques for scientific writing
- Communicated regularly with course instructors to discuss areas where students needed further direction

**Golf-Mil Veterinary Hospital, Niles, IL**

*Mar. 2013 to Jan. 2015*

*Veterinary Assistant*

- Restrained for vaccinations, blood draws, x-rays, surgeries, and other medical procedures
- Maintained clean kennels, surgery room, laboratory area, examination rooms, and lobby to prevent spread of illnesses
- Monitored all boarders to ensure a proper recovery from procedures
- Organized and maintained medical and x-ray files and inventory of medical supplies
- Observed routine operations such as spays, neuters, and growth removals
- Communicated with clients about upcoming appointments

**North Park University, Chicago, IL**

*Aug. to Dec. 2012*

*Teaching Assistant in Microbiology*

- Prepared all media and lab equipment to ensure an efficient laboratory environment
- Supervised a class of 20 students and checked that proper protocol and techniques were followed to ensure a safe laboratory experience
- Guided students through the course and helped them to implement concepts in a laboratory setting

**Cream of the Crepe, Park Ridge, IL**

*May 2010 to Mar. 2013*

*Barista*

- Promptly prepared and served hot and cold beverages, such as coffee, espresso drinks, freshly squeezed orange juice, teas, and smoothies
- Placed and served crepe orders to hundreds of customers per day and communicated with chefs about customer needs such as gluten allergies or special requests
- Cleaned all service and seating areas

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

**Cosley Zoo, Wheaton, IL**

*June 2013 to Aug. 2013*

*Animal Care Intern*

- Cleaned and performed general husbandry for variety of domestic and wild animals
- Interacted with the public and offered education, information, assistance, and control when necessary
- Prepared diets according to dietary guidelines and restrictions for each animal
- Recorded 30-minute timed behavioral observations of the bobcats and implemented new enrichment activities
- Trained a variety of animals including chickens and hedgehogs using operant conditioning techniques

**Wright-Way Animal Rescue, Niles, IL**

*July 2012 to Aug. 2012*

*Veterinary Assistant*

- Prepared vaccines and materials for blood tests and microchipping for weekly low-cost vaccine clinics
- Held animals for vaccinations and blood draws to allow the veterinarian to safely treat 60 animals per day
- Ensured that the appropriate vaccines and blood tests were being performed on the animal and followed proper vaccine schedule

**North Park University, Chicago, IL**

*Oct. 2012 to May 2013*

*Research Assistant*

- Performed medical and behavioral research on the rat parkinsonian brain

- Observed rat behavior and rank and record dyskinesia in each rat to determine the efficiency of potential therapies
- Administered anesthesia to rats for medical procedures

**Golf-Mil Veterinary Hospital, Niles, IL**

*Kennel Technician*

*Jan. 2011 and Jan. 2013*

- Held animals for vaccinations, blood draws, x-rays, surgeries, and other medical procedures
- Cleaned kennels, surgery room, laboratory area, examination rooms, and lobby to prevent spread of illnesses
- Organized and maintained medical and x-ray files
- Observed operations such as spays, neuters, and growth removals

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

- Veterinary Student Outreach Program *Aug. 2016 to present*
- Women’s Veterinary Leadership Development Initiative *Aug. 2016 to present*
- Illinois Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association *Aug. 2014 to present*
- Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association *Aug. 2014 to present*
- TriBeta National Biological Honor Society Vice President *Aug. 2013 to May 2014*
- Pi Theta Sorority *May 2011 to May 2014*
- Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society *Jan. 2011 to May 2014*
- Pre-Professional Club *Aug. 2010 to May 2011*

**ELECTIVE COURSEWORK**

- Fall 2016: Canine and Feline Behavior
- Fall 2016: Basics of Business
- Spring 2016: Shelter Medicine I
- Spring 2016: Companion Animal Rehab
- Fall 2015: Fundamentals of Management
- Fall 2015: Fish Medicine and Surgery
- Spring 2015: Reptile Medicine and Surgery
- Fall 2014: ZooMed: What is Your Diagnosis?

**AWARDS**

- 2011: Platinum Transfer Student Scholarship, North Park University
- 2010 – 2011: Dean’s List, Carthage College
- 2010: Founder’s Scholarship, Carthage College
- 2010: Taft Alumni Scholarship
- 2010: Kiwanis Club Scholarship

**REFERENCES**

Available upon request