



**HUMANE
SOCIETY**
OF BOULDER VALLEY

**Shelter Medicine Externship
Humane Society of Boulder Valley**

The Humane Society of Boulder Valley offers 2 to 4-week Shelter Medicine & Surgery Externships to senior (4th year) veterinary students.

Shelter weeks focus on the transfer, impoundment, and adoption of companion animals. Students have the opportunity to hone physical exam skills, learn about disease control, behavior evaluation and behavior modification in the shelter environment.

Surgical weeks include a variety of skill-appropriate procedures including medical diagnostics, treatments, and supervised sterilization (spay and neuter) surgeries for shelter animals.

**We encourage students to apply early as dates fill quickly, and we cannot guarantee date availability until the externship is confirmed and reserved.
Blocks are NOT available in May, June, or July. Wait-lists may be available.**

We can confirm externship blocks upon receipt of any one of the required documents below.

Requirements:

- Letter of Intent from applicant.
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae.
- Letter of Recommendation from faculty member.
- Proof of Student Liability Insurance
 - If your school provides a liability policy, please send documentation.
 - If your school does not provide a liability policy, one may be obtained free from AVMA PLIT online at <http://www.avmaplit.com/student>
 - Insurance documents must cover the externship period.
- Completed HSBV Volunteer Application, and waiver of release. A link for this document will be sent one month prior to your externship block.
- Externship evaluation/grade forms as required by your college or university. These may be sent after the externship.

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