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| **Position Title**  | Veterinary Officer |
| **Classification**  | Level 8 |
| **School/Division** | Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) |
| **Centre/Section** | Animal Care Services  |
| **Supervisor Title**  | Senior Veterinary Officer |
| **Supervisor Position Number**   | FSR 308700 |
| **Position Number** | FSR 310908, 318820 |

**Your work area**

Animal Care Services is responsible for ensuring that all animals used in research and teaching at the University are housed and cared for to standards of best practice and in compliance with all legal and statutory requirements. Animal Care Services supports teaching, biological and biomedical research projects in a range of contained housing environments and research facilities for laboratory animals, large animals and selected native species.

**Reporting structure**

Reports to: Senior Veterinary Officer

**Your role**

As the appointee you will, provide advice and assist to manage the veterinary care of animals within UWA Animal Care Services and Facilities and to the UWA research and teaching community. You will provide leadership and veterinary accountability of research and teaching activities involving animals at UWA, consistent with the WA Animal Welfare Act 2002 and to the Australian Code for the Care and Use of Animals for Scientific purposes 2013. You will have responsibility to the DVCR to develop and promote best practice veterinary care for laboratory and large animals and influence research decision making.

**Your key responsibilities**

Provide veterinary guidance and advice for the Senior Veterinary Officer on all animals housed for research and teaching purposes with particular emphasis on laboratory-based research animals.

Diagnose and prescribe treatment for conditions of animals held within the Animal Care Services facilities including the supervision of restricted drug use.

Contribute to the development of competency training for ACS staff and researchers. Advise the Senior Veterinary Officer in relevant aspects of the health care, wellbeing and welfare of animals used for teaching and research.

Conduct procedures requiring the anaesthesia and recovery of animals used for research and teaching.

Other duties as directed.

**Your specific work capabilities (selection criteria)**

Tertiary qualification in veterinary science or equivalent qualification suitable for registration in Western Australia

Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Excellent interpersonal skills with the ability to liaise and interact with all Animal Care Services stakeholders.

Excellent organisational skills and demonstrated ability to set priorities and to meet deadlines.

Proficiency in a range of computing skills including word processing, spreadsheets, databases, internet and email.

Capacity to develop strong working relationships with Animal Care Services staff and researchers.

Demonstrated written and oral skills and ability to assist and train others.

**Special requirements (selection criteria)**

Current “C” class driver’s licence.

Current National Police Clearance Certificate.

Able to fit the physical requirements of the position.

Able to work after-hours, weekend rosters and rostered start times.

Requirement to receive work call after-hours.

Occasional weekend and after hours visits to the animal facilities may be required.

Vaccinations as required.

Proof of current full COVID-19 Vaccination.

**Compliance**

Ensure you are aware of and comply with legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including:

The University’s Code of Conduct [hr.uwa.edu.au/policies/policies/conduct/code/conduct](https://www.hr.uwa.edu.au/policies/policies/conduct/code/conduct)

Inclusion and Diversity [web.uwa.edu.au/inclusion-diversity](https://www.web.uwa.edu.au/inclusion-diversity)

Safety, health and wellbeing [safety.uwa.edu.au/](https://www.safety.uwa.edu.au/)