

# The WAVD Peter Ihrke Scholarship is NOW OPEN!



## Background

A WAVD Scholarship to honour the life and career of Professor Peter Ihrke was initiated by the WAVD Scholarship Committee in 2017. It commemorates Peter's contribution to the discipline of veterinary dermatology and his commitment to the vision and mission of the Association. The scholarship has been awarded to three candidates, Dr Veronica Pereja from Ecuador, Dr Sabrina Costa from Brazil and Dr Ivelina Vancheva from Bulgaria.

## The Award

The scholarship provides the opportunity for an individual from an underprivileged region to attend a two-to-four-week externship in the veterinary dermatology service of the University of California-Davis (UCD) Veterinary School.

The scholarship contributes a 6000 to 8000 USD to fund a low-cost, return economy airfare, modest accommodation and meal allowance and professional liability insurance and the fee waiver (150US) for UCD.

The WAVD acknowledges the dedication of Drs Stephen White and Catherine Outerbridge in graciously hosting the recipients of this scholarship.

## Applicants:

- a. Must be a licensed veterinarian with at least three years, full-time experience working as a veterinarian.
- b. Dermatology residents or interns enrolled in training programs are not eligible.
- c. Must provide proof of residency in a geographic location with limited access to continuing education opportunities in veterinary dermatology.
- d. Will provide proof of adequate ability to write and speak in English.
- e. Will provide evidence of interest and commitment to veterinary dermatology.
- f. Will provide a statement of financial need.
- g. Will provide a curriculum vitae/resume.
- h. Will provide a written reference from a veterinary professional associate or mentor.
- i. Will provide a plan as to how their acquired knowledge will benefit other veterinarians and/or veterinary technicians in their geographic region.
- j. Will provide a written report (500 words) to the WAVD AC within 12 months of completion outlining how the applicant benefited from the scholarship and how their plan to disseminate their knowledge has been implemented.

Applications will be processed via the WAVD website. **Applications open on July 1, 2023 and the closing date for applications is September 30, 2023. The award will be announced by the WAVD Administrative Committee on December 1, 2023.**

The successful 2024 scholarship recipient will be also announced at the WCVD10 Opening Ceremony.