

# **DUTY STATEMENT**

Position Details			
Statement of duties and requirements for			
Title	Veterinarian		
Committee	Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee		
Category	A		

#### The Job

A person with qualifications in veterinary science

#### 1. Duties

- Contribute to Committee discussions and discussions so that only work
  which satisfies the requirements of the Australian code of practice for the
  care and use of animals for scientific purposes (NHMRC) is approved
- Review Committee papers prior to each meeting and from time to time review out-of-session applications
- Attend each meeting (normally six per year)
- Provide advice and feedback to reflect a veterinarian's point of view to the AEEC

### 2. Selection Criteria

### Essential

- Qualification in veterinary science
- Veterinary experience relevant to the activities at Victoria University

#### Desirable

 Familiarity with the biology and clinical characteristics of the species of animals used in scientific or teaching activities at Victoria University

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- Knowledge and willingness to learn government legislation and guidelines relating to animal research and ethics
- Willingness to attend training conducted by the Victorian Bureau of Animal Welfare and Victoria University
- Demonstrated experience as a Committee member of any Committee or Committee group dealing with complex issues.

#### 3. Relevant Material

- Victoria University Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee Terms of Reference –
  - http://research.vu.edu.au/ordsite/aeec.php
- Australian code of practice for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes (NHMRC) http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/ea16syn.htm
- Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations 2008 (Victorian Department of Primary Industries)
   <a href="http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/DPI/nrenfa.nsf/LinkView/817CFEF9C1AEDE27CA257521001ADF8418CDE14E012AB3A0CA2573FA000E0AC8/\$file/POCTA%20Regulations%202008%20V1%20Dec%2008.pdf">http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/DPI/nrenfa.nsf/LinkView/817CFEF9C1AEDE27CA257521001ADF8418CDE14E012AB3A0CA2573FA000E0AC8/\$file/POCTA%20Regulations%202008%20V1%20Dec%2008.pdf</a>

## 4. Submitting an Application

Applications for membership must include:

- Application letter systematically addressing the Selection Criteria (above)
- A brief Curriculum Vitae

Applications are to be forwarded to:

The Victoria University Animal Ethics Committee, Research Services Footscray Park Campus P O Box 14428 Melbourne VIC 8001 Victoria University

And/or e-mail applications to the Secretary, AEEC aeec@vu.edu.au

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