

Position Title: Senior Clinical Lab Technician

Department: Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory

Position Type: Full-Time Staff

Job ID: 50740

Job Description:

The [College of Veterinary Medicine](#) at MU is on a mission to inclusively educate and train outstanding clinicians and scientists from diverse backgrounds, generate new knowledge, engage stakeholders, and foster economic growth, all of which promote and protect the health and welfare of animals and people. Simply put, our mission is to Teach, Heal, Discover, and Serve.

The [Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory](#) is a full-service laboratory accredited by the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians and member of the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN). It provides in-depth laboratory diagnostic support to veterinary practitioners, livestock and poultry industry interests, companion animal interests, wildlife conservationists, scientists utilizing animals in their research throughout the university, state and regulatory officials, and clinicians of the MU Veterinary Health Center. The laboratory handles more than 200,000 specimens a year and serves Missouri's 114 counties and surrounding states by performing over 170,000 diagnostic tests annually. The VMDL also conducts fundamental and applied research to address animal health and public health issues.

The Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (VMDL) is seeking to hire a Senior Clinical Lab Technician to work in the Clinical Pathology Section. This position entails working at the receiving and initial sample processing area, but may also include varying levels of specimen testing, instrument maintenance, and quality assurance tasks.

Representative Duties Include:

- Check specimen quality and labeling upon receipt of samples for testing, contact submitter to correct problems as needed.
- Electronically process testing requests and create accessions for samples through a laboratory information system.
- Prepare samples for testing (for example, centrifuge blood tubes, harvest plasma and serum).
- Distribute specimens to appropriate laboratory workstations.
- Prepare samples for shipment to outside laboratories.
- Collect and distribute mail and specimens from the VMDL to the clinical pathology lab if needed.
- Attach external laboratory results to patient accessions.
- Perform select test procedures on veterinary samples.
- Answer client questions/assist clients over the phone and in person.
- Assist with instrument maintenance and quality assurance procedures.
- Maintain a clean, organized workspace.
- Assist with stocking and ordering laboratory supplies.
- Triage tasks appropriately and multi-task effectively during busy times.

- Comply with VMDL quality assurance system and participate in general laboratory quality assurance procedures.
- Perform other laboratory duties as assigned by supervisor.

Shift:

Full-time 40 hours.

Minimum Qualifications:

High school diploma or equivalent and at least 2 years of experience from which comparable knowledge and skills can be acquired is necessary.

Preferred Qualifications:

A year or more of laboratory or research experience.

Anticipated Hiring Range:

Salary Range: \$18.00 - \$20.45 per hour, commensurate with education and experience

Grade: GGS-006

University Title: Senior Research/Lab Technician

Internal applicants can determine their University title by accessing the Talent Profile title in myHR.

Application Materials:

Online application, resume and list of three references.

Community Information:

Columbia offers small-town friendliness with big city features and a high quality of life for people of all ages and interests. Founded on education and known as an ideal college town, its location also makes it an attractive spot for businesses and travelers. Located on Interstate 70 and U.S. Highway 63, Columbia is right in the middle of the state and the nation. Just a couple hours' drive from St. Louis and Kansas City, Columbia is Boone County's largest population center offering big-city culture, activities, and resources with a low cost of living. Columbia is home to a variety of restaurants and entertainment venues and hosts more than a dozen cultural festivals each year. If you want to grow your career, continue your education, raise a family, and retire, Columbia is a good place to be!

Benefit Eligibility:

This position is eligible for University benefits. As part of your total compensation, the University offers a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental and vision plans, retirement, and educational fee discounts for all four UM System campuses. For additional information on University benefits, please visit the Faculty & Staff Benefits website at <https://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits>.

Values Commitment:

We value the uniqueness of every individual and strive to ensure each person's success. Contributions from individuals with diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives promote intellectual pluralism and enable us to achieve the excellence that we seek in learning, research and engagement. This commitment makes our university a better place to work, learn and innovate.

In your application materials, please discuss your experiences and expertise that support these values and enrich our missions of teaching, research, and engagement.

Equal Employment Opportunity:

The University of Missouri System is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Equal Opportunity is and shall be provided for all employees and applicants for employment on the basis of their demonstrated ability and

competence without unlawful discrimination on the basis of their race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, disability, or protected veteran status, or any other status protected by applicable state or federal law. This policy applies to all employment decisions including, but not limited to, recruiting, hiring, training, promotions, pay practices, benefits, disciplinary actions and terminations. For more information, visit <https://www.umsystem.edu/ums/hr/eeo> or call the Director of Employee and Labor Relations at 573-882-7976.

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