

# Specific internship Small Animal Ophthalmology

*Academic year 2026 - 2027*

## **The position**

The specific intern will be part of the ophthalmology service, participating in the management of patients (consultations, emergencies and hospitalized patients) and interventional procedures under close supervision of an ECVO (ophthalmology) diplomate. Weekend and out-of-hours work in hospitalization and emergency department are required.

Starting date: September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

End date: August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2027

## **The clinic**

The Small Animal Clinic at Ghent University is a modern veterinary center known for clinical excellence, academic teaching, and research. With a high caseload, interns work alongside EBVS<sup>®</sup>-accredited specialists and residents in Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Internal Medicine, Diagnostic Imaging, Anesthesia, Neurology, ECC, Surgery, and more, in a collaborative and supportive environment. The ophthalmology service is fully equipped to manage complex cases. Diagnostic support includes slit lamp, direct and indirect funduscopy, tonometry, gonioscopy, ultrasound, electroretinography, CT and MRI. With direct supervision of an ECVO diplomate, the clinic provides excellent opportunities for hands-on learning and professional development in small animal ophthalmology. This specific internship in ophthalmology also places a strong emphasis on the development of surgical skills, as the intern will frequently collaborate with the surgical team and actively participate in perioperative and postoperative care.

## **Skills and requirements**

Applicants must hold a European DVM or an equivalent degree from an EBVS accredited veterinary institution and have completed a rotating internship in companion animal medicine. Proficiency in Dutch is preferred and good verbal and written knowledge of English is mandatory. Strong communication and interpersonal skills are essential, as the position requires collaboration within a team-oriented environment. An interest in teaching veterinary students is also expected, as this forms an integral part of the role.

A visit to the clinic prior to a possible interview is highly encouraged.

## **Interested?**

Applications should be sent to [Eline.Vercruysse@ugent.be](mailto:Eline.Vercruysse@ugent.be) before June 15<sup>th</sup> 2026 and should include:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Motivation letter
- Diploma
- Certificate of (or proof of current) rotating internship
- Contact information of 2 references