



3342-E: 2025 Auburn University Small Animal Theriogenology Residency

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The Small Animal Theriogenology Residency Program is designed to increase the number of trained practitioners in companion animal theriogenology– the specialized field of reproductive health and genetics for companion animals like dogs.

Theriogenology is the branch of veterinary medicine concerned with reproduction, including the physiology and pathology of male and female reproductive systems, and the clinical practice of veterinary obstetrics, gynecology, and andrology. This two-to-three-year residency program provides specialty training in all aspects of companion animal reproductive medicine and surgery, clinical genetics, as well as clinical practice related to male and female reproduction, obstetrics, and neonatology.

The Small Animal Theriogenology Residency Program is a collaboration between the American Kennel Club (AKC), the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF), and the Theriogenology Foundation.

Theriogenology focuses on the reproductive health of animals, including breeding, pregnancy, and genetic health. This program trains veterinarians to specialize in caring for the reproductive needs of pets, ensuring safer pregnancies, healthier litters, and the prevention of genetic disorders. By supporting this residency program, we help ensure that dogs receive the highest level of care in reproduction, contributing to healthier, stronger generations of dogs and advancing overall canine health.

Contribution: \$4,000.00

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