

# WENDY L. THOMAS

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**Objective:** To obtain a position as a veterinary associate in a mixed or production animal practice.

**Specific Career Interests:** Production or mixed animal medicine with an emphasis in bovine, small ruminants, and equine.

## Education:

Iowa State University, **D.V.M.** Ames, Iowa  
Expected Graduation: May 2010

Iowa State University, **M.S.** Ames, Iowa  
Graduation: May 2008  
Major: Biochemistry

Monmouth College, **B.A.** Monmouth, Illinois  
Graduation: May 2004  
Majors: Biochemistry & Biology

## Recent Work Experience:

**Iowa State University** **2004-2008**  
**Graduate Research Assistant** **Donald C. Beitz, Ph.D (515) 294-5626**  
Department of Biochemistry, Biophysics, and Molecular Biology, Ames, Iowa  
Teaching assistant for undergraduate anatomy course  
Research project for Masters of Science degree – using current technology to improve dairy herd management and commercial marketing of milk and milk products

**Heartland Pet Hospital** **2005-2006**  
**Intern** **Brenda Bright, D.V.M. (515) 733-2218**  
Story City, Iowa  
Observed and assisted with appointments  
Assisted with animal restraint and physical exams on house calls  
Prepared vaccinations prior to administration to animals  
Acquired experience with cats, dogs, rats, rabbits, and guinea pigs

**Monmouth College** **2003-2004**  
**Teaching Assistant** **Peter Gebauer, Ph.D (309) 457-2161**  
Chemistry Department, Monmouth, Illinois  
Prepared and set up for labs, cleaned dishware  
Assisted students with techniques and questions during labs  
Repaired and maintained assorted laboratory equipment

**Hometown Veterinary Care  
Internship**

New London, Iowa

**Summer 2003  
Diane Noll, D.V.M. (319) 367-5511**

Observed daily appointments  
Observed routine surgeries such as castrations, spays, declaws, and repairs of inguinal hernias in colts  
Cared for animals recovering from anesthesia  
Assisted on farm calls  
Acquired experience with horses, cattle, alpacas, cats, dogs, hedgehogs, and deer

**Awards and Honors:**

2006 - 2009 Talbot Scholarship Recipient, Iowa State University  
2004 - 2005 Miller Fellowship Recipient, Iowa State University  
2004 Graduate Cum Laude, Monmouth College  
2004 Honors Program Graduate, Monmouth College  
2000 - 2004 Multiple scholarships and honors, Monmouth College

**Current Professional Affiliations:**

American Association of Bovine Practitioners (Student Chapter)  
American Association of Bovine Practitioners (National Chapter)  
American Association of Equine Practitioners (Student Chapter) - previously served as co-chair of Fundraising Committee  
American Association of Equine Practitioners (National Chapter)  
American Association of Small Ruminant Practitioners (Student Chapter) - previously served as Treasurer and President  
American Association of Small Ruminant Practitioners (National Chapter)  
American Dairy Science Association  
Canine Club  
Behavior Club  
Pathology Club  
SCAVMA, Iowa State University  
ZEW Club

**Veterinary Experience:**

Spent 23 days in New Zealand obtaining lambing and sheep medicine experience, Ram BSE trip with AASRP, Sheep AI wetlab, Preceptorship at alpaca/equine practice in Ohio, Dairy Challenge champion team member 2009, FDAH Mastitis wetlab, Bovine hoof trimming wetlab, Bovine reproduction wetlab, multiple brief preceptorships at mixed animal practices, Equine farrier wetlab, Foal ICU volunteer, Equine U/S wetlab, AAEP castration wetlab, OEPS seminar, Feral Cat Alliance volunteer - multiple clinics, multiple other club wetlabs

**Personal Interests:**

Rodeo, Riding horses, Running, Traveling

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**Additional references:**

Ronald Griffith, D.V.M., Ph.D, Associate Professor, Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine

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Advisor for Student Chapter of the American Association of Small Ruminant Practitioners, former Microbiology and Infectious Diseases professor

James Henss, Vice President, Wayland State Bank

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Former employer (1999-2004)