

My name is Aleksandra Szerejko and I am a fifth year veterinary medicine student at Warsaw University of Life Sciences in Poland. This year I got the opportunity to carry out a placement at Anaesthesia Department of Kleintierklinik in Bern. My placement lasted from 9/07 to 3/08/2018. The time that I spent at the clinic was very rewarding and intensive. Everyday, I saw many different cases which enabled me to learn how to tailor appropriate anaesthesia protocol to each patient. I was allowed to help during every anaesthetic procedure such as IV catheter insertion, placing intubation tubes, giving anaesthetic drugs or monitoring anaesthetised patients. The Anaesthesia Department team was always very kind towards me, especially during the first days of my placement when everything was new and little confusing for me. Furthermore, they eagerly and comprehensively answered my questions and explained me issues that I didn't know. I found journal clubs and rounds very interesting, because we discussed recently published articles or current problems in veterinary anaesthesia. I have learnt a lot during my four-week placement at Kleintierklinik and I feel more confident in veterinary anaesthesia. Moreover, I am sure the experience and knowledge that I gained will have a great impact on my future career path. In my spare time I enjoyed the Bern with its unique atmosphere and picturesque views. I would really like to thank IVSA Bern members for helping in organization my placement at Kleintierklinik. They were always ready to answer all of my questions and I could rely on them during my stay in Bern. I would recommend everyone to choose Kleintierklinik in Bern to carry out a placement.