

Specialisation Committee Vetsuisse Faculty Bern:

Fachtierarzt/-tierärztin FVH for Swine Medicine

Brief content description:

The title of *Fachtierarzt/-tierärztin (FVH)* in Swine Medicine can be awarded to veterinarians who have completed comprehensive training in the field of pig medicine. The specialist in swine medicine has knowledge in the recognition, treatment, and prevention of diseases and performance impairments in pigs based on standard examination methods, as well as the assessment of housing, feeding, and management in breeding and fattening.

Duration and Location:

The minimum duration of the training is 3 years. A full-time position in regular employment is typically required. At least 2 years of the training must be completed in Switzerland. Training periods at foreign training centres must be at least 3 months without interruption. At least 2 years of specialised training must be dedicated to the field of swine diseases.

Recognised training centres include:

- Relevant institutes and clinics of federal and cantonal veterinary education institutions as well as comparable private or public facilities in Switzerland and abroad.
- Swine health services
- Specialist veterinary practices or clinics recognised as training centres.

Decisions on the recognition of activities at other training centres are made by the commission for awarding the FVH title. At the end of the programme, the candidate must take a specialist examination.

Programme Objective:

Upon receiving the diploma certificate signed by the authorised GST representative and the president of the Swiss Association for Swine Medicine, the candidate is entitled to use the title „Fachtierarzt FVH für Schweine“. The title obliges continuous further education in the field of swine medicine.

Further information can be found on the website of the Swiss Association for Swine Medicine (SVSM):

www.svsm.ch

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