

Mission: Our Mandate

The Vetsuisse School fosters the health and well-being of animals through application of excellent preventive and curative measures, as well as through innovative research and high-quality university instruction. The Vetsuisse School advances quality and safety of products of animal origin in the interest of the health of humans and animals as well as protection of the environment. Its tasks are:

- research with the goal of gaining scientific knowledge, as well as applying and distributing it
- fostering animal health and improving prevention, diagnosis and treatment of illness
- to prevent the spread of animal illnesses
- to advance the development and research of illness models on animals that are significant for human health
- to convey to students of veterinary medicine and persons in continued education all necessary scientific fundamentals for the understanding of biological contexts and instruct them excellently in clinical veterinary medicine, in observance of the dignity of animals

In the implementation of these tasks existing university and Vetsuisse regulations, organizational and personnel development instruments as well as the Vetsuisse Code of Conduct are to be observed.

Vision: What are we striving for?

The Vetsuisse School stands among the best veterinary medical and university competence centers in Europe. The two locations Bern and Zurich collaborate in teaching and research in accordance with the Code of Conduct. The departments at both locations are complementary. The Vetsuisse School offers first-class primary and leading veterinary medical care for Switzerland under consideration of customer needs. All preventive, curative as well as research and instruction related measures are carried out under optimal use of resources and in the interests of those involved and affected. Employees are appreciated by their supervisors and colleagues, and outstanding achievements are recognized. Mutual respect, trust, dialogue and sense of responsibility as well as willingness to change are part and parcel of daily business. The Vetsuisse School strives for a positive culture of error and thereby enables individual and organizational learning as well as optimization of performance, competency and quality.



Vetsuisse Code of Conduct: Our Value System

Join! – Mitmachen! as profession and reinforcement of a mindset of cooperative, integrating and appreciative collaboration, signifies that every Vetsuisse employee is conscious that he or she is dependent on the fundamental cooperation of others, affirms this in principle and thereby expresses the common Vetsuisse Mission. Relations between instructors and students are infused with respect and fairness.

Join! as professional and social relationship it is possible for agents and for those affected by actions or intentions thereof to recognize whether the so-called three-question-test can be answered positively:

Is it better? Is it worth it? Is it fair?

If intentions, actions and interactions make a common endeavor better, make it a worthwhile undertaking that can be conducted fairly, then the Vetsuisse Vision can be seen as achieved and the Code of Conduct considered implemented.

The undersigned are knowledgeable of this Mission Statement and Code of Conduct.

Supervisor: date, location and signature

Employee: date, location and signature