



## BEING A BCVA STUDENT REP

### What is the time commitment?

This is an 18-month position, with the 1st 6-months spent in a 'junior' term where you will have the support of a 'senior' rep to help you learn the role and work together during a busier time of year!

You will then 'graduate' to senior rep at the time of FAVS congress, usually held in February, where you will hold this position for 12 months, stepping down at the following FAVS.

The above timings mean that *ideally* you are entering into your penultimate year of study prior to graduation *at the latest*, however we welcome applications from all years of study as long as you can commit to the term described above.

### What will the role involve?

As our BCVA student rep you will be expected to promote BCVA and its activities in your university. This will include:

- Liaising with your FAVS and AVS groups to make sure they are aware of how BCVA can offer support for organised student events e.g. dairy days or beef symposiums.
- Co-ordination of one BCVA supported talk at your university (November-December).
- Promote BCVA membership and activities to students, including our virtual clinical club series and our dedicated student section of the website.
- Assist in the recruitment of stewards for Congress.
- Represent BCVA at events at your university, such as careers and freshers fairs.
- Give feedback to BCVA on how we can better engage and support students, and any other ideas that you have.

### How will BCVA support me?

BCVA will ensure that you are supported in your role through the provision of a student rep handbook to help ensure you are aware of who everyone at BCVA is, how we are able to support students and how to contact BCVA when you have a question (or suggestions!).

We also have a student rep WhatsApp group to help communicate between all the reps and the BCVA board members who are in the 'Education' working group. Additionally, we can hold Zoom meetings to get your feedback and provide an opportunity for networking with the other student reps too.

**What are the perks?**

All our student reps will have free BCVA student membership and a year's free membership upon graduation as well!

Looks great on your CV!

Lots of opportunities for networking within the profession

Any questions? Email [office@cattlevelvet.co.uk](mailto:office@cattlevelvet.co.uk) and we'll be happy to talk.