

Genetics Seminar

Dawna Voelkl was born and raised outside of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and earned her veterinary degree from Cornell University in 2003. Dr. Voelkl then completed the first year of a residency training program in comparative theriogenology (reproductive medicine) at the University of Minnesota, and the final two years at the New Bolton Center of the University of Pennsylvania. From Penn, Dr. Voelkl joined the faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine in Missouri.

Dr. Voelkl provides clinical service exclusively in reproductive medicine to dogs as well as cattle, horses, sheep, goats, alpacas, llamas, and the very occasional cat while also instructing students in the practice of veterinary medicine.

The Theriogenology Service manages the breeding of over 350 bitches annually, working closely with commercial operations and breeders of dogs used for show and performance, competitive field work, hunting, service, and law enforcement. The service also performs hundreds of semen collections for evaluation of fertility and infertility as well as for cryopreservation.

Dr. Voelkl serves as director of a comprehensive 48 hour lecture course in theriogenology required of all veterinary students and speaks on a variety of topics in reproductive medicine in Missouri and nationally. In her spare time, Dr. Voelkl participates in canine agility with her rescue border collies.