

Department of Animal Science Advising Center

Fall Newsletter #4

If you find yourself having trouble figuring out your schedule, are not sure what classes to take or need general advice, come on in and meet with a Peer Adviser. We are experts in scheduling, resolving class conflicts, and are full of good advice.

The Animal Science Advising Center is open M-F 9am-12pm and 1-4pm in 1202 Meyer.

You can also email us at asac@ucdavis.edu or call 530-754-7915.

For more information about Animal Science Advising, be sure to visit our website at asac.ucdavis.edu, and Like our Facebook page: UCD Animal Science Advising Center!

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A. Announcements / Upcoming Events

1. Orientation Refreshers!

- The Animal Science Advising Center will be holding Orientation Refreshers this upcoming **Wednesday and Thursday, October 29th and 30th**, from 12:00-1:00pm the **Weir Room, 2154 Meyer Hall**.
- If you missed advising during orientation, or if you have any questions about university requirements, major requirements, and the opportunities within our major, come to an Orientation Refresher!
- This event is intended for those who missed orientation or for those who have forgotten the details, but it is still open to anyone! Lunch will be provided.

2. Survey Contest Winners!

- Thank you to everyone who filled out our incoming freshmen and transfer student surveys! Here are the selected winners for participating in the survey:
 - Freshmen: Kathleen Vaughan, Yixue Zhou
 - Transfers: Katherine Greene, Elizabeth Parker
- **Winners, please come by the Animal Science Advising Center in 1202 Meyer Hall** to pick up your prize Animal Science hat!

3. Horse Day!

- Our annual Horse Day will be held this **Saturday, October 25th**, at the UC Davis Horse Barn! Registration and Check-In will begin at 8:00 am. You can still register online for the event **TODAY**, or you can register tomorrow at the event. To register online, follow this link:
<http://www.cevs.ucdavis.edu/confreg/reg/index.cfm?confid=711>
- The theme for Horse Day this year will be "A New Hands on Approach to Equine Topics," with discussions on Pigeon Fever, breeding, horseshoeing, hay evaluation, English and Western saddle fitting, and more!
- For a full day itinerary and more information about the event, click the link below:

- <http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/HorseBarn/Horse%20Day%20Mailer.pdf>

4. Borlaug CAST Communication Award Winner!

- Dr. Alison Van Eenennaam, from the Animal Science Department, was recognized for her outstanding contributions to scientific communication with numerous awards, including the prestigious Borlaug CAST Communication Award, awarded October 15, 2014 at the World Food Prize Foundation.
- Her recent effort in science communication includes the YouTube video, "What Do the Facts Say?" This video is a parody of Ylvis - The Fox (What Does the Fox Say?) - and includes clips from various television shows illustrating the disconnect that often occurs between what is portrayed in the media and the facts as they are widely accepted in the scientific community.
- Click the link below to watch the video and see what our department is up to! Please feel free to share the video widely.
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lhh0t-y86Xk&feature=youtu.be>

5. We're on Facebook!

- The Animal Science Advising Center is on Facebook! Be sure to Like our page to get updates and see photos from our events! You can visit our Facebook page by following this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/UCD-Animal-Science-Advising-Center/100286430062779>

B. Internships / Jobs

1. Stern Lab Internship Opportunity

- This internship supports the research of Dr. Judith Stern (Department of Nutrition) and is designed for students to gain experience in animal care and research. This includes providing rodent husbandry for a rat colony and assisting in data collection for research projects. The goal of the research is to find underlying genetic causes of kidney disease. Selected students will also have an opportunity to work with a rare mouse model to study epigenetic modifications for Wilson's disease for collaborator, Dr. Valentina Medici. The Stern Lab is looking for dedicated and competent students who are looking to be part of long-term research projects. Extensive training will be provided.
- This internship has a minimum two-quarter commitment (Winter and Spring 2015), with the possibility of hire upon evaluation at the end of two quarters. Students will be required to work a minimum of 6-8 hours per week for each quarter. Successful completion of Animal Care and Use 101, an online course, is also required for the internship.
- The preferred start date for this internship is mid-November. Students must be able to work some weekends, holidays, and academic breaks.
- To apply, please follow the instructions on Aggie Job Link, # 785868.
- A document with further information on intern responsibilities is attached. If you have any questions, please contact Esther Min at estmin@ucdavis.edu.

2. Dairy Management Position at Claravale Farms

- Claravale Farm is a raw milk producing, Grade A dairy, with a long history of quality and a loyal customer base. Workers will be trained as milkers initially, but for the right candidates there are the opportunities to move into dairy management. Other opportunities in cheese making and creamery enterprises may become available as well.

- Claravale Farms is located in Panoche, CA. Applications for this position will be accepted until **November 17th, 2014**.
- To apply, follow the instructions on Aggie Job Link, # **785177**

3. Undergraduate Lab Assistant Position

- The Lewis lab is looking for a responsible, hardworking, self-motivated undergraduate assistant to help with routine lab chores and scientific experiments. The position is approximately 10 hours per week throughout the 2014/2015 academic year. Work hours are flexible and can be adjusted around applicant's school schedule each quarter. This is a paid position.
- The Lewis lab is an Entomology & Nematology lab with a strong emphasis in soil ecology and agricultural bio-control. Many experiments have components of laboratory, greenhouse, and fieldwork. Therefore, all applicants must be willing to work under all three conditions.
- All applicants must be UC Davis undergraduate students in good standing, entering their freshman or sophomore year in the Fall of 2014.
- This position consists of but is not limited to the following duties: maintaining insect colonies, maintaining experimental plants, washing dishes, cleaning/organizing lab supplies and equipment, restocking lab supplies, data collection, data entry, assisting in set up and break down of experiments, preparing media for experiments, and other duties as assigned.
- Potential applicants for this position can send a brief 1 page resume to Andrew Ross at abross@ucdavis.edu.

5. VMTH Anatomic Pathology Facility Position Available for Students

- The UC Davis VMTH is looking for an Assistant Bagger for the Anatomic Pathology Facility.
- Students will be performing general cleaning and disinfection duties in the facility, primarily the Trim Room and Histology Laboratory. Students will sort, consolidate, label, bag, file, and retrieve formalin-fixed animal tissues.
- To apply for this position, please follow the instructions on Aggie Job Link, # **784407**. **Applications will be accepted until October 31st**. The base pay rate begins at \$10.25 per hour, and students will be working roughly 12 hours per week.

C. Scholarships

1. Announcement from the Undergraduate and Prestigious Scholarships Office

- Get started early on your 2015-2016 UC Davis Undergraduate Scholarship application! The scholarship application is NOW OPEN! The application deadline is **January 7th, 2015**. To access the application and instructions, visit <http://financialaid.ucdavis.edu/scholarships/>.
- There are also several outside scholarships that are currently accepting applications! For more information please visit <http://financialaid.ucdavis.edu/scholarships/Outside.html>.

"Creativity is intelligence having fun."
 – Albert Einstein

I hope you all had another fantabulous week of classes, and have a peachy-keen weekend!

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