

# Department of Animal Science Advising Center

## Winter Newsletter #5

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](mailto: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](http://asac.ucdavis.edu), and like our Facebook page: [UCD Animal Science Advising Center!](#)

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### A. Announcements / Upcoming Events

#### 1. Academic Peer Adviser Job Opening!

- The Animal Science Advising Center is looking for an academic peer adviser for the 2015-2016 academic year. If you are interested in advising students in Animal Science, Animal Science and Management, and Agricultural and Environmental Education, and contributing to the success of the Animal Science Department, please consider applying for the position.
- Peer advisers will work up to 10 hours per week and this is a paid position.
- Applicants for this position must be available for all three quarters - Fall 2015, Winter 2016, and Spring 2016. **If hired, you will also be required to participate in the new Peer Adviser training course offered this Spring 2015: EDU 160, 4 units Pass/No Pass, at 8:00-9:50am Mondays and Wednesdays in Scrub Oak Auditorium.**
- We are looking for candidates who can communicate accurate information about our majors and other college requirements while representing the department in a positive manner. Please see the attached job description for more information.
- The application is attached and applicants must provide a resume. **The completed application and resume are due to the ASAC (1202 Meyer Hall) by Monday, February 23rd at 4pm.**
- If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Emma Martinez at [eadmartinez@ucdavis.edu](mailto:eadmartinez@ucdavis.edu) or (530) 752-6118.

#### 2. Spring Commencement Speaker Application

- If you are graduating this Spring, you can now apply to be a student speaker for the commencement ceremony. The deadline to apply is **April 10<sup>th</sup>**. To apply, please visit: [http://commencement.ucdavis.edu/general\\_info/index.html#speaker](http://commencement.ucdavis.edu/general_info/index.html#speaker)

#### 3. Important Dates for Winter 2015

- As we continue this quarter, it's important to keep certain important dates in mind:
- **Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>: 25<sup>th</sup> Day of Instruction**
  - Last day to opt for P/NP grading. Please note that you CANNOT opt any major courses P/NP, all major requirements must be taken for a grade.

#### 4. Changes to ANS 136A and 136B!

- ANS 136A and 136B are no longer being offered! They have been separated into two completely independent courses, ANS 136: Techniques and Practices of Fish Culture, and ANS 137: Techniques and Practices of Avian Culture. From now on, **ANS 136 will be offered in Fall** and **ANS 137 will be offered in Spring**. Either of these classes will meet laboratory requirements for ANS majors.
- If you have already taken 136A, please contact Dr. Hung at [sshung@ucdavis.edu](mailto:sshung@ucdavis.edu) about completing the ANS 136 series. You will need to enroll in a separate ANS 198 course in order to complete the requirement. **PLEASE NOTE:** You do not need to worry about contacting Dr. Hung if you have never taken 136A or 136B. The ANS 198 course exception ONLY applies to students who only completed half of the original series.

#### 5. New ANS Spring Course Updates!

- We've created a few new courses in the Animal Science Department! These courses are designed to help students define their career paths, offer more relevant coursework to Animal Science majors, and provide units toward specialization. These courses will not appear in Schedule Builder or the Class Search Tool, you must type in the CRN directly to find them.
- **NOTE:** When searching these courses on Schedule Builder, it may have a warning stating that you need consent of the instructor to take the course. **Do not worry about this warning;** it is there because the courses are brand new and still listed as ANS 98/198. **You can register for these courses without needing consent of the instructor, as long as you have the CRN.**
- **ANS 98-033 (will later become ANS 30): Topics and Careers in Animal Science (2 units)**
  - This course is for sophomores looking for more career options within Animal Science. It will be taught by Dana Van Liew, and will be held Wednesdays from 1:10-5:00pm.
  - Enrollment cap is currently at 20 students; **sophomores will be given first priority.**
  - This is currently scheduled as a variable unit course. After officially adding to the course, you will need to manually change the course units to 2 (via Schedule Builder). This course is Pass/No Pass.
  - **CRN: TBA**
- **ANS 198-033 (will later become ANS 100): Animal Physiology (5 units)**
  - This course provides a more relevant alternative to the NPB 101 major requirement, and is accepted by vet schools for their physiology requirement. It will be taught by Dr. Todgham and will be held Monday through Friday from 10:00-10:50am.
  - Enrollment cap is currently at 100 students, but the course is Pass 1 restricted to Animal Science majors.
  - This course is NOT open for credit to any student who has completed NPB 101 with a grade of D- or better.
  - This is currently scheduled as a variable unit course. After officially adding to the course, you will need to manually change the course units to 5 (via Schedule Builder).
  - **CRN: 21539**
- **ANS 198-044 (will later become ANS 150): Animal Health and Disease (4 units)**

- This course may be used towards specialization units! It is taught by Dr. Zhou and will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-10:20am, and Wednesdays from 12:10-1:00pm. There may be alternative discussion times available.
- This is currently scheduled as a variable unit course. After officially adding to the course, you will need to manually change the course units to 4 (via Schedule Builder).
- CRN: 21550

## 6. New Hybrid Course! VMB 101Y

- VMB 101Y, Principles of Pharmacology and Toxicology, is a hybrid 3 unit course taught by Professor Birgit Puschner. The CRN for this course is 52034.
- The course will be held on **Thursdays from 2:10-3:50**, and there will be an information session for the Class on **March 30th from 1-2pm**. The class and the information session will both be held in VM3B 1105.
- The hybrid course structure includes self-directed learning, online collaboration, and face-to-face learning.
- The course provides training in core concepts of pharmacological and toxicological sciences, and prepares students to develop higher-order problem solving skills.
- The course is specifically designed for advanced undergraduate students with interests in pursuing graduate degrees in pharmacology and toxicology, or professional degrees including DVM, MD, pharmacy, dentistry, or nursing.
- This course can be used for most ANS specializations with faculty adviser approval.

## 7. New Veterinary School Admits: Congratulations on your Achievements!

- On behalf of the Animal Science Department, we'd like to congratulate the newly admitted students to all the Schools of Veterinary Medicine! All of your time, brain power, and hard work have paid off.
- At the Advising Center, we try to encourage current undergraduates and prospective students in their endeavors. Veterinary school is often a common goal. One of the best ways we can help students develop their understanding of the rigors of vet school is by providing current statistics and information about successful applicants, and the steps they took to be accepted.
- **If you were just recently admitted to veterinary school, and would like to help your peers and future students achieve their dream career, we would greatly appreciate if you could take the time to fill out the attached Vet School Survey.** Completed surveys can be submitted to the Animal Science Advising Center, either by email at [asac@ucdavis.edu](mailto:asac@ucdavis.edu), or in person in 1202 Meyer Hall.
- Based on the information from the survey, we can compile statistics to display in the Advising Center for current students to view. Many students view the information to see what criteria make a competitive applicant, and it gives them a goal to work toward as an undergraduate.
- In the future, we hope to create a story wall of successful applicants, to give more background information in addition to the statistics. If you're interested in being featured, stay tuned for more information.
- Thank you for your time and contribution, and congratulations again on your success!

## 8. Women's Resources and Research Center: STEM Café

- Join the WRRRC for drop-in tutoring in a positive, judgement-free environment! Math Café is held **every Tuesday from 4-6pm in the WRRRC Conference room**, on the first floor of North Hall. Snacks will be provided and no previous attendance is necessary.
- In addition to the Math Café, the WRRRC is introducing their Chemistry Café! Chemistry Café will be held on **Thursdays from 4-6pm in the WRRRC Conference Room**. If you are interested in becoming a Chemistry tutor, please contact Deniss or Nate at [wrrc@ucdavis.edu](mailto:wrrc@ucdavis.edu).

## 9. Young Cattlemen's Association: AI Clinic and Meeting Updates

- The next Young Cattlemen's Association meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm** in **ASTF 600**. Come to the meeting to learn more about upcoming events, including Picnic Day festivities and the AI Clinic.
- The 2015 AI Clinic will be held **March 23-25, 2015**. The clinic will be taught by veterinarians from the UC Davis Vet School. Registration is first come, first serve. The clinic cost is \$400, which includes an AI handbook, hands-on practice, and lunch. The first \$75 is due as a deposit by **March 9<sup>th</sup>**, and the remaining \$325 will be due by **March 18<sup>th</sup>**.
- For more information on the AI Clinic, please see the attached flyer.

## 10. We're on Facebook!

- The Animal Science Advising Center is on Facebook! Be sure to like our page to get *accurate* course information, updates, and to 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. Job Resources at UC Davis!

- If you are looking for a job, be sure to check out Aggie Job Link for current job openings for students! You can access Aggie Job Link via the link below, and sign in with a Kerberos username and password.  
<https://ucdavis-csm.symplicity.com/students/>
- You can check out even more campus job opportunities through the UC Davis employment website:  
[https://www.employment.ucdavis.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/Welcome\\_css.jsp](https://www.employment.ucdavis.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/Welcome_css.jsp)
- Also, be sure to take a look at our Animal Science Advising Center website! We list current job openings for students and recent graduates, all relatable to Animal Science. We update this list periodically, so be sure to check often!  
<http://asac.ucdavis.edu/>

### 2. CA&ES Dean's Office Peer Advising Position Available

- Are you interested in becoming a peer advisor for the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CA&ES) Dean's Office? Applications are now posted online through the Aggie Job Link for peer advising positions for the upcoming academic year, Fall 2015 through Spring 2016.
- As a Peer Advisor you would have the opportunity to assist fellow undergraduate students on various academic advising situations including course scheduling, major exploration, and major, college, and university requirements. Additional responsibilities may include prospective student recruitment at various campus events. You will be able to work alongside CA&ES advising staff in the dean's office or with a major staff advisor in an academic department within our college. Students will also participate in the Resident Hall Advising Team (RHAT) and have the opportunity to work in the advising centers in the dorms. This position is a fantastic opportunity to gain professional level development while serving our campus community.
- Check out the job posting on Aggie Job Link for more information. You can visit Aggie Job link at <https://ucdavis-csm.symplicity.com>, and search for Job ID: 789789. Feel free to contact Joe Lee [jelee@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jelee@ucdavis.edu), Academic Counselor in CA&ES Dean's Office, with any questions. Applications are due by **Friday, February 13 at 5pm**.

## C. Scholarships

### 1. NPFDA Scholarships Available

- The NPFDA (National Poultry and Food Distributors Association) Scholarship Foundation is entering its 36<sup>th</sup> year in scholarship assistance. They will award four \$2,000 scholarships to students in the fields of poultry science, food science, agricultural economics/marketing, and all other fields of study related to the poultry industry.
- Students must be in their sophomore or junior year to apply. Applicants must be enrolled as a full time student.
- To apply, please complete the attached application and write a 1-2 page letter detailing your career goals. The application, goals, transcripts, and an endorsement of the student must be forwarded to the NPFDA Scholarship Foundation by either the student or the department head.
- The application, transcript, and letter of endorsement must reach the NPFDA office no later than **May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015**. Selection and notification will be completed by July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Please send application and materials to:
  - The NPFDA Scholarship Foundation, Inc.  
2014 Osbourne Rd  
St. Marys, GA 31558.

### 2. San Diego County Farm Bureau Scholarships

- The San Diego County Farm Bureau is offering scholarships for students who are permanent residents of San Diego County and pursuing a course of study in agriculture or a closely related field.
- A recommendation from a teacher or academic advisor is required, in addition to a recommendation from a current or former employer. Transcripts must also be included with the application (photocopies are acceptable).
- The scholarship application has been attached to this email, but an interactive PDF version of the application is also available online at [www.sdfarmbureau.org](http://www.sdfarmbureau.org).
- Scholarship awards in the past have ranged from \$500-\$5,000. Completed applications must be postmarked or emailed by **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015**.

### 3. California Woolgrower's Association Scholarship

- The California Woolgrower's Association Scholarship is set up to provide financial assistance to enrolled students in academic programs related to the California Sheep Industry. This support may be used to offset normal academic fees or to help offset costs of senior projects and/or research efforts.
- Students must have completed at least one year of studies in an Agricultural major, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. The award amount is \$500.
- The application requires an essay, summary of career plans, and 3 current letters of recommendation, along with verification of enrollment.
- Applications are due by **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015**. An application has been attached to this email.

### 4. Silicon Valley Community Foundation Scholarships

- A variety of scholarships are available, the majority of which are for current or former residents of San Mateo and Santa Clara counties.
- Deadlines for the various scholarships will be **throughout February**.
- Award amounts are available for up to \$20,000.

- For more information, please visit this website: <http://www.siliconvalleycf.org/scholarships>
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*"Rainy days should be spent at home with a cup of tea and a good book."  
-Bill Watterson, Calvin and Hobbes*

I hope your week went well and that you find some time to relax this weekend!

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