



# Animal Science News And Announcements

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1. **UConn Horse Herd Quarantine:** Students who want to learn more about the quarantine and the Equine Herpes Virus -1 (EHV-1) can visit an informational web page located on the Animal Science web site at <http://www.canr.uconn.edu/ansci/ehv.htm>. Students who have concerns regarding the impact the quarantine related to their employment, courses, club activities etc. can forward questions to [Jennifer.Simoniello@uconn.edu](mailto:Jennifer.Simoniello@uconn.edu).
2. **Students Graduating This May:** Seniors who plan to graduate this May need to make an appointment with their advisor to complete their plan of study. Students are encouraged to complete their plan of study early in the spring semester to leave enough time to fix any problems that may be discovered.
3. **Animal Science Students Read This:** Every Animal Science student should apply **now** for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources/Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture Undergraduate Scholarships. The **single** sheet application is available in the ANSC Dept. Main Office (Room 107) or students can download it from [www.myagrn.uconn.edu/current\\_forms.html](http://www.myagrn.uconn.edu/current_forms.html). Applying is **easy** and once you submit your application you'll have a chance to be considered for CANR/RHSA scholarships listed at [http://www.myagrn.uconn.edu/scholarships\\_continuing.html](http://www.myagrn.uconn.edu/scholarships_continuing.html). The deadline is February 15, 2007.
4. **Agri-Mark Award to UConn Dairy Facility:** Congratulations to Mary Margaret Cole, Dairy Unit Manager, and to her crew for receiving the Agri-Mark Milk Quality Award for superior milk production during the months of September 2005 through August 2006. The award was presented to Ms. Cole at the Annual Regional Meeting at Zenny's Restaurant on December 6, 2006.
5. **Housing Available at KDC:** There is an opening for a female student for housing at the KDC. If interested, please call Mary Margaret Cole at 486-2023.

6. **UCONN DRILL TEAM:** The UConn Morgan Drill Team performed an outstanding demonstration at the Equine Affaire in Massachusetts during Pfizer Fantasia. Their coach, Kathy Pelletier was extremely proud of how well this new team showed off UConn's Morgan horses all week long. The stadium was sold out each night and the team was welcomed with open arms! The team's entrance to "WHO LET THE DOGS OUT" let everyone know that UCONN was there! "BLACK HORSE AND A CHERRY TREE" faded in, and the audience clapped along with the team's demonstration. Congratulations Drill Team for such a successful semester!
7. **AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT INTERN:** The Eastern States Exposition, Agriculture & Education Department is sponsoring a Media & Publicity Internship. The internship will start on June 1, 2007 and end on October 1, 2007. Applicants must have knowledge of Livestock Shows and agriculture related events. Juniors and seniors enrolled in a related field of study preferred. Applicants should have a basic working knowledge of MS Word, Access, Excel and Photoshop editing. 40+ hours per week may be required. There is a stipend of \$1,000 per month. Interns will gain experience in the internal workings of the fair; network with other Agriculture and Media Professionals throughout the Northeast; and, gain experience writing press releases, working with the media and working on websites. Resumes with a cover letter can be sent to: Donna Woolam, Director of Agriculture & Education, 1305 Memorial Avenue, W. Springfield, MA 01089. For a complete list of duties and responsibilities, please stop by the Animal Science main office, room 107 in the George White Building.
8. **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES – DAIRY:** The American Jersey Cattle Association has positions available on their staff. Persons with dairy or animal science degrees and the desire to work for a dynamic, growing service and marketing organization are encouraged to apply. The positions available are:
  - Herd Services Department Assistant
  - Area Representative and Type Traits Appraiser
  - Type Traits Appraiser and Area Representative
  - Type Traits Appraiser, full-time
  - Type Traits Appraiser, part-timeThe announcements and complete position descriptions are linked from the index at <http://www.usjersey.com/jobopportunities.htm>. Copies may be requested by calling 614/861-3636, ext. 332.
9. **SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE – FFA:** Many scholarships are available from the National FFA Organization. The FFA scholarship book and applications are now available on the FFA website at <http://www.ffa.org/programs/scholarships/index.html>. The list of 2007 Collegiate Scholarships starts on page 31 of the scholarship book located on line. The deadline for all scholarship applications is February 15, 2007.
10. **SUMMER INTERNSHIPS - RESEARCH:** Elanco Animal Health Research and Development has created a 12-week summer internship program with a stipend for college and graduate students who want to explore research in animal health. The purpose of the internships is to provide students who have backgrounds in various scientific fields with the opportunity to conduct a research project from the conception of the idea to the completion of the final report. Students will gain

experience in protocol design, model development, good experimental technique and documentation, data interpretation and presentation. Interns are provided with a competitive salary, housing opportunities, and relocation assistance. For information on minimum requirements and how to apply, go to <http://www.lilly.com/careers/campus.html> and click on the link Current Internship Opportunities and then Elanco Research & Development Internships or you may stop by the Animal Science main office, room 107 in the George White Building.

11. **SUMMER INTERNSHIP – SEAWORLD**: The Education Department at SeaWorld Orlando Adventure Park is sponsoring the 2007 SeaWorld Adventure Camp Internship programs. This fast-paced experiential learning opportunity is designed for undergraduate students who have completed their sophomore year and are in good standing at a recognized academic institution. Applicants should be seeking degrees in education, science, or recreation. This is a paid Internship, and students may additionally arrange to receive academic credit through their faculty advisor. For more information about the internships offered and the application process, go to <http://www.seaworld.org/career%2Dresources/internship/index.htm#> .
12. **INFORMATIVE RESOURCE FOR STUDENTS**: Feedstuffs FoodLink is a weekly resource where the issues at hand related to food safety and modern agriculture are addressed. To read this weekly publication, visit Feedstuffs online at <http://feedstuffsfoodlink.com/ME2/Default.asp> .
13. **INTERNSHIP – EQUINE**: Taylor Made Sales Agency is offering an opportunity for students to learn more about the thoroughbred industry. They offer a paid internship, with housing, and teach their interns everything they need to know to be successful in the industry. The minimum requirements are that interns must be at least 18 years old, preferably have at least one year of hands-on experience in the equine industry (doesn't have to be with thoroughbreds), as well as have a high school diploma or equivalent. For more information, visit their website at <http://www.taylormadesales.com/team/pages/internprogram> .
14. **JOB OPPORTUNITY – YALE RESEARCH ASSISTANT**: The Pediatrics Department at the Yale School of Medicine has an opening for a Research Assistant for candidates with an undergraduate degree in an Animal Science related field. Recent graduates or soon to be graduates are encouraged to apply. The general purpose of this position is to supervise an aquatic facility to raise and maintain the frog, *Xenopus tropicalis*, through all stages of development as well as care for the adults. A few essential duties of the position include feeding tadpoles and adults, monitor the health of animals and treat sick animals when necessary, and monitor the aquatic environment and insure that it remains optimal for frog health. For a complete description of duties, qualifications and how to apply, visit their website at [http://websrv.its.yale.edu/hr/jobpost\\_ext.html](http://websrv.its.yale.edu/hr/jobpost_ext.html) . Enter MCMN59249 in the keywords. Then click on the position Research Assistant I-MS, Pediatrics.
15. **SUMMER EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS**: The William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute is offering the following three Summer Experience Programs:
  - Equine Management
  - Agricultural Research
  - Farm Management

The programs are available to agriculture and life science students in their junior or senior years of study. Students are encouraged, but not required, to register for college credit at their home institution. These programs are designed as 4-credit courses, although other arrangements may be made through the student's home institution. Each student's wage for the 13-week semester is \$2,500. Students live at Miner Institute where housing, breakfast and lunch each weekday are provided at a cost of \$300 for the summer session. The programs begin on May 21, 2007 and end on August 17, 2007. For information about the application process, stop by the Animal Science main office, room 107 in the George White Building.

16. **INTERNSHIP – ANIMAL CONTROL**: The Town of Stratford is offering an internship to a student currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program with knowledge of animal care and handling. The intern will work under the general supervision of the Animal Control Officer and assist with investigations, public relations, public education programs, maintaining human conditions in the pound and related work as required. The internship will be for academic credit for a negotiable time period (1 semester – 1 year). Interested candidates must submit a cover letter and resume to: Marilyn Flores, Human Resources Director, Town of Stratford, 2725 Main St., Stratford, CT 06615  
Phone: 203-385-4007; Fax: 203-385-4037
17. **TRAINING NEWSLETTER – EQUINE**: Keith Hosman, a John Lyons Certified Trainer, has co-written a training newsletter with Josh Lyons. Subscriptions are free and come out once per month. You can check out his website at <http://horsemanship101.com/>. You can also see a representative issue of the newsletter at <http://www.horsemanship101.com/Newsletter/Issue5.html>.
18. **DAIRY JUDGING TEAM**: The Dairy Judging Team will be meeting on Mondays from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. and on Thursdays from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Students interested in participating should email Mary Margaret Cole at [Mary.Cole@uconn.edu](mailto:Mary.Cole@uconn.edu).
19. **ANSC STUDENTS ACCEPTED TO VET SCHOOL**: The Animal Science Department is proud to announce the names of Animal Science students who have been accepted to Veterinary School.

Students are encouraged to notify their advisor and Jen Simoniello at [Jennifer.simoniello@uconn.edu](mailto:Jennifer.simoniello@uconn.edu) to share any good news such as acceptance to veterinary school or receipt of scholarship awards. We'll pass the information on to ANSC faculty, staff and students.

20. **SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**: The SBM (Savings Bank of Manchester) annually gives scholarships in amounts of up to \$5,000 per year to help fund undergraduate study at colleges and universities in the state. Applications for these scholarships for 2006-2007 are available online at <http://www.sbmfoundation.org/sbm-charitable.php?page=scholarship> or by calling 860-533-1067 to request an application by mail. Students must live in Hartford, Tolland or Windham counties and must maintain a 2.5 GPA. Deadline is March 31, 2007.

21. **INTERCOLLEGIATE HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION NATIONALS/SCHOLARSHIPS:** The 2007 IHSA National Championship Show will be held May 3 – 6, 2007 at the Eastern States Exposition, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield, Massachusetts. Features of the show will include:
- 8 Levels of Hunter Seat Riding
  - Beginner through Medal/Maclay
  - 6 Levels of Western Riding – Beginner through Open/Reining
  - Co-Educational Opportunities
- IHSA offers scholarships to IHSA members. February 10, 2007 is the deadline. For more information visit the IHSA website at <http://www.ihsa-inc.com/>.
22. **JOB + LIVE-IN OPPORTUNITY – EQUINE:** Summit Dressage, LLC in Coventry, RI (about 50 minutes away from UConn) has a position available on their 10 stall farm for someone to live-in for a small rental fee in lieu of farm work. The position requires 2 full days of work which includes morning feeding, turnout, stalls and hay throughout the day (about 3 hours), and evening feeding, turn in, and paddocks (about 1 hour). Also required would be night check (hay and top off water) 4 nights per week. The candidate would work preferably on Sundays and Wednesdays. If interested, please contact Christine Coleman at 401-392-3385/401-473-5383 or email [SummitDressage@aol.com](mailto:SummitDressage@aol.com).