



Fall 2019 Program Advisory Committee Minutes

Program: Veterinary Science

Date: 10/17/19

Members Present: Jason Psalidas, Jim Humphries, Hope Humphries, Ed Swaim, Wyatt Zagaranis, Rebecca Smith, Jenn DeForge, Erin Turnowski, Lee Pellegrino

Program Facilitator: Lee Pellegrino

Committee Chair: Jason Psalidas

Subject: Student Enrollment/Placement

Discussion: Co-op numbers from presentation in cafe

Subject: Annual Programmatic Review

Discussion: Space under construction

Subject: Bias Review Checklist

Discussion: No new text books to review

Subject: Quality Assessment Tool

Discussion: Space under construction

Subject: New Trends in the Occupational Area

Discussion: Ed - changes in livestock program here, concentrating in one direction, frameworks to work around, not big enough entity to have multiple breeds of the same species, buy a couple of



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purebred registered Herefords, breed using AI, and continue progress and how to select proper genetics, not enough people in this area that know how to shear sheep, hair breeds more popular in this area, pay attention to market and breeding timing, seems all over the board, raise animals that have economic value
Some of the change over of animals to line up more to state frameworks

Jason - lacking skill is clean up (working clean)

Jenn - when used to working that way, help students learn how to do

Lee - class mentality instead of individual, work on with chores framework in Animal Nursing

Jason - hard to keep up with new medications, more probiotics, large and small animals

Ed - change in trend with antibiotics, work on keeping animal healthy instead of treating disease

Lee and Becky can increase curriculum with probiotics and those health trends

Hope - client communications, making phone calls, talking with strangers

Jenn - confirmation calls with clients in clinics, returned voicemail messages, back desk area for those types of calls, front lobby desk will be loud, hard to do when learning

Jason - this generation different, clients want emails, students text more than call

Lee - can spend more time on professional technology communication

Erin - Angell will be paper free, use computers to take a patient history, digital x-rays and lab results

Hope - employer doesn't know what students are capable of, list of competencies

Lee - portfolios done sooner, beginning of junior year, revamping portfolio protocols for whole school



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Subject: **Employment Outlook**

Discussion: Erin - Angell has 40 tech spots open, national shortage of technical staff, look highly on CVT but someone coming out of our program with those skills would be hired easily, hiring bonuses and relocation bonuses
Jenn - high level of burnout, value of technicians, can only climb ladder to certain level, human nurse counterpart make more money and need to provide for family, NAVTA limits what students can do, designation nice but not best opportunity
Erin - looking for someone with experience and someone with certification, will see in house animals but mostly cats and dogs
Jenn - our students have experience handling exotics

Subject: **New Business**

Discussion: Visited new Angell clinic and discussed layout

Subject: **Recommendations**

Discussion: None not already discussed

The meeting adjourned at (time): 8:25