Welcome to the CSU Pre-Vet Club!

Welcome to this year’s Pre-Vet Club. My name is Melissa Matiatos and I am this year’s President. I am really excited for this year to begin!

Through the Pre-Vet Club not only will you be able to explore your future career, but you will also be able to make connections with other Pre-Vet Students who are taking classes similar to yours! Not only have I met some of my best friends through the Pre-Vet Club, but I have also been able to form study groups for most of my classes.

This year will be the fourth year I have been involved in this club and I have enjoyed every minute of it. When I first came to CSU I was interested in small animal medicine and small animal medicine only, but after hearing Dr. Holt, a large animal veterinarian, speak, I realized that there were many different directions I could go. Through the Pre-Vet Club I found I have an interest in large animal medicine especially involving dairy cows. As the President this year I would like to help members find their passions and niche in the veterinary world. There is an exciting year ahead of us and I would like to welcome all of our new members to the club and to Colorado State University. I am looking forward to meeting everyone! Please don’t hesitate to email me if you have any questions regarding the club or just college life in general and I will see all of you at our first meeting!

-Melissa Matiatos, President

President
Melissa Matiatos
Major: Biological sciences with a minor in business
Favorite animal: Cow
Favorite food: Spaghetti and meat balls
Best Way to Relieve Stress: Riding horses
Interesting Fact: I am an RA in Newsom this year.

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<td>Daena Rowlison</td>
<td>Major: Zoology with a minor in Biomedical Sciences</td>
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<td>Madeleine Ramirez</td>
<td>Major: Zoology</td>
<td>Favorite animal: Tiger</td>
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<td>Kira Flynn</td>
<td>Major: Biology with a minor in Biomedical Sciences</td>
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<td>Stephanie Serva</td>
<td>Major: Biomedical Science with a minor in Microbiology</td>
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<td>Ann Bowen</td>
<td>Degree: Masters in Counseling</td>
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Across

2. A group of ferrets is called this.
4. The Newsletter Editor's favorite animal.
5. This officer has pet slugs.
7. This Pre-Vet Day lab will help you treat Fluffy when he takes a tumble.
11. The order that aardvarks are in.
13. Dr. Johnston spoke about surgery for what types of animals?
14. Our Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer all share this major.
15. This animal is on page 7 of the newsletter.
16. This animal is pictured on page 2 of the newsletter.
18. This officer reads comic books and blogs about it for the Collegian.
20. One of the Pre-Vet Day labs this year is large animal what?
23. Their favorite animal is the horse.
24. The Pre-Vet club runs this program every Spring and allows members to gain firsthand experience with veterinarians.
25. Our president this year.
26. This officer has a minor in Microbiology.
27. The Publicity Coordinator.
28. A day full of wet labs and lectures, and a panel with veterinary students.

Down

1. The Pre-Vet Club often goes on tour to this place on campus.
3. The Pre-Vet Club volunteers here, but never on full moons!
6. The alternative medicine lab is for which animals?
8. This officer loves tigers and pasta.
9. The Community Outreach Coordinator.
10. What month is Pre-Vet Day held?
12. The Pre-Vet Advisor.
17. The animal handling lab focuses on birds and what other type of animal?
19. This animal is closely related to the aardvark!
21. The Pre-Vet Club worked with Animal House and Fort Collins Cat Rescue during what event?
22. The building Ann Bowen's office is located in.
The Pre-Vet Club is a great way to explore the different aspects of the veterinary world from great speakers such as Dr. Andi Lear on being a food animal intern, Dr. Johnston on exotic animal surgery, to Dr. Melora Whittig-Estredge who makes house calls. In addition to meetings, the Pre-Vet Club also has activities every week. Some activities we have done in the past are a heart dissection, a dairy farm tour, animal movie nights, and volunteer projects with Denkai Animal Sanctuary and the Wolf Sanctuary. Other exciting programs to look forward to are our veterinary shadow program as well as our service projects with the university including Fall Clean up and CSUnity!

-Melissa Matiatos, President
Shadowing

Every Spring the Pre-Vet Club runs a shadowing program that allows members to shadow a veterinarian for a day! Participants can see firsthand what a typical veterinarian’s day consists of and get a behind-the-scenes look at veterinary medicine.

Pre-Vet Day 2013

Every Fall semester in October, the Pre-Vet Club hosts an event called Pre-Vet Day. This is a day full of wet labs and lectures, and a panel with veterinary students. Our labs offer a great way to gain hands-on experience and the lectures cover a variety of interesting and unique aspects of veterinary medicine. This year’s Pre-Vet Day will include labs on equines, large animal alternative medicine, first aid, small animal dissection, large animal necropsy, bird and reptile handling, exotics, and learning how to handle upset owners.

Tours

The Pre-Vet Club often goes on tours of facilities related to veterinary medicine and professions relating to animals. Previous tours have included dairy farms, the CSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital, and the Denver Aquarium.
On The Lighter Side

- Q: Where do orcas hear music?
  A: Orca-stras!

- Q: What do you call a row of rabbits hopping backwards?
  A: A receding hare line.

- A group of ferrets is called a business.

- Aardvarks are the only animal in the order *Tubulidentata*, and are closely related to elephants.

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