by Dr. Kathleen Rahman, Undergraduate Program Director

The Fall 2017 semester is right around the corner and registration for classes will begin soon! I would like to share a few important points undergraduate students should know before registering for classes.

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Certain courses (Animal Practicums, Animal Nutrition Lab, etc.) require work with animals. A condition of enrollment is that students must complete the Orientation to Animal Care and Use at Rutgers Training, an Occupational Health Questionnaire, and be cleared to work with animals. To learn more about completing this process, visit our Departmental YouTube channel and watch the video titled “How to Obtain Med Clearance to Work with Animals”. Refer to the bottom of this page to learn how to access our Social Media sites.

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If you are interested in signing up for one of our Animal Practicum classes, you will need to contact the appropriate faculty/staff member to obtain a special permission number. Their contact information is as follows:

- Dairy Cattle Practicum (11:067:201)
  Joanne Powell (jpowell@aesop.rutgers.edu)
- Small Ruminant Practicum (11:067:202)
  Laura Comerford (shgoswpract@aesop.rutgers.edu)
- Swine Practicum (11:067:203)
  Laura Comerford (shgoswpract@aesop.rutgers.edu)
- Laboratory Animal Practicum (11:067:205)**
  Dr. Aparna Zama (zama@rutgers.edu)
- Horse Practicum (11:067:207)
  Dr. Carey Williams (carey.williams@rutgers.edu)

** Indicates course has a co- or prerequisite requirement.

To sign up for Research in Animal Science (11:067:493), you will need to contact the professor directly for a special permission number. Please visit our Departmental website to learn more about current research projects as well as obtain professors’ contact information.

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You can declare or change your major or major option online through the MyMajor program. You can access MyMajor by going to the SEBS Academic webpage and clicking on “MyMajor/MyGradDate” located in the middle of the page.

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It is always important to plan for ALL semesters, not just the next one! Schedule a meeting with your academic advisor to ensure you are taking the appropriate classes.

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For more information, don’t hesitate to contact your academic advisor or Dr. Barry Jesse, Acting UPD.

Links to our Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube pages can be found easily on our Departmental website: animalsciences.rutgers.edu