

Q&A – Virtual Town Hall, July 30, 2020

- 1. Will the transportation fee be removed from our term bill since we won't be using campus buses for our remote classes?**
 - If you have a question about billing, go to studentabc.rutgers.edu
- 2. Is Horse Practicum 207 the only Animal Practicum being offered in Fall 2020?**
 - Yes. Reach out to Dr. Zama (zama@sebs.rutgers.edu) for an SPN.
- 3. As a Sophomore, can I join the online portion of Horse Practicum 207?**
 - No, the hands-on and lecture components of Horse Practicum are a complete set. You have to take them both together.
- 4. Will there be additional sections of practicums in the future to make up for the cancellation of so many in the Fall?**
 - That's something that we will work on.
- 5. Are there any prerequisites to the Fall 2020 offering of Animal Handling Supervisors 176?**
 - If you took Animal Handling 175 in Spring 2020 (remote), you can take 176 in Fall 2020.
 - If you haven't taken 175 but you have experience with the animal species, email the instructor for a prereq override.
- 6. I took 175 already. If I take 176 in Fall 2020 (with the same species), can I become a supervisor for the Spring 2021 semester?**
 - Very possibly! Ask the instructor of the appropriate section for an SPN for Fall 2020.
- 7. If I substitute one of my courses as an EBE course will it still count to fulfill an elective requirement?**
 - No, students cannot "double-dip" an EBE requirement with any other requirement. Students must decide if they want the course to count for an elective requirement **OR** and EBE requirement, not both.
 - If the student chooses to have the course count for an EBE requirement they must fill out the course substitution form on the Animal Sciences COVID-19 Resources webpage.
- 8. I want to change my Fall 2020 course schedule. Should I start changing after August 1, or wait to the Add/Drop period in September?**
 - You can change it after August 1 – but have a quick chat with your advisor before making the change.
- 9. Do I use the Course Scheduler Planner (CSP) to add courses?**
 - No, use WebReg. Add a course using its index number. You can continue using the CSP to arrange your schedule.

10. I'm thinking of taking an internship course or a research course this Fall, but because of the coronavirus it's hard to find an internship. Any suggestions?

- Internships are hard to find, and if you do find an internship (say, with a vet practice) and they have to let you go mid-semester due to virus-related issues, you'll be out of luck (if you haven't completed the required number of hours). It might be safer to register for Studies in Animal Science 411 or Research in Animal Science 493. Check the department's Personnel webpage to find faculty's contact info and research interests.
- If you currently work in an animal science or veterinary medicine related job, you could perhaps register for a SEBS SPIN internship. You'll need to open a Handshake account (see link on <https://sebsspin.rutgers.edu/apply.html>).

11. Can I do an internship anywhere as long as it's related to my major?

- Yes. You'll need to open a Handshake account (see link on <https://sebsspin.rutgers.edu/apply.html>).

12. When will Handshake accounts be approved? I've been waiting for weeks.

- Handshake accounts were usually approved quickly. First-year students' applications might take a while longer. [Note: Dr. Hausmann emailed Larry Jacobs re: the delay in approving the specific first-year student's application.]

13. For SPIN internships, will the time requirement be reduced due to COVID-19?

- We will look into that. [Note: Currently the time requirement for 3 credits is minimum of 160 hours during the semester; and for 6 credits, a minimum of 750 hours over 6 months.]

14. Are there any student jobs available on the Campus Farm in Fall 2020?

- No. Training students is not possible while maintaining COVID-19 safeguards.

15. Any updates re: Winter 2021 classes?

- At this point, no Winter 2021 classes are being offered. We will know more in a few weeks. If any Winter course offerings are scheduled, they will be posted on our Animal Sciences COVID-19 Resources webpage.

16. I anticipated completing a George H. Cook honors project over Spring 2021 and Fall 2021 so I can keep on track with a Spring 2022 graduation. Will research be possible?

- Contact the faculty member with whom you're interested in doing the research.

17. If I'm looking at <https://my.rutgers.edu> and see a dash in the Location column, is it remote?

- Wait until after August 7 and check again.

18. Is the 120-credit SEBS program only for students graduating in 2020 and 2021?

- No. Last year's Seniors (2020) and Juniors (2021) could opt in the 120-cr version. Students in later graduation classes (2022, etc.) are already in the 120 cr version.

19. As an incoming first-year student, where can I go to learn about the career paths that are available to me?

- Approach whoever advised you during your APA session or email Dr. Zama.