Welcome Back from the Biology Department Chair

Welcome to all new and continuing biology and zoology students! I'm happy to say that after a year long national search, and after a year as Interim Chair, I am honored to serve as Chair of the Biology Department for the next five years.

This year, we also have a new Assistant Professor in plant evolutionary biology, Dr. Dan Sloan, and many new graduate students that will be contributing to our teaching and research missions. We hope you join us in our enthusiasm for all things biology and are as eager as we are to jump into another challenging fall semester. Good luck with your courses and best wishes for a great semester!

Dr. Mike Antolin, Chair

Fall 2013 Important Dates

August
30– Last day to drop a restricted drop class (like CO 150)

September
1– Last day to add a course without an override
2– Labor Day– All CSU Offices are closed
6– Graduation Contracts due to registrar's office
11– Last day to drop a course or add a course with an override.

October
21- End of course withdrawal period. Last day to exercise repeat/delete option.
29 - Spring 2012 registration begins. Check RAMweb for your designated time.

November
25- Fall recess begins; no classes next week.
28-29 - Thanksgiving Holiday; University closed.

December
13- last day to process a University Withdrawal.
16-20- Final Exams.
20-21- Commencement Ceremonies.
25-27- Winter holiday; University Closed.

Attention graduating seniors:
We will be holding special walk-in hours on August 26th through September 6th from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM. if you have any questions about graduation or want to check one last time that you are all clear. Regular walk-ins for all other students are Wednesdays from 9:00 - 1:00 and 1:00 - 3:00 starting the first week of classes.

ARE YOU A NEW BIOLOGY OR ZOOLOGY MAJOR? DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT COURSES ARE REQUIRED FOR YOUR PROGRAM?
Register today for a Biology/Zoology Curriculum and Four-Year Plan Workshop. You will learn the about required courses, as well as how to make a four-year plan.
To register visit: http://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/nuplk

New students should also sign up for our Skills for Academic Success Workshop. This workshop will teach you what it takes to be a successful Biology or Zoology major.
Sign up at: http://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/xnnwa
ATTENTION STUDENTS ON ACADEMIC PROBATION:

If you are on academic probation, you will need to get your advising code from an Academic Support Coordinator before you can register!

Once again, the Biology department is requiring all Biology and Zoology majors who are on academic probation to work closely with an Academic Support Coordinator. If you are on Probation I, you will need to attend one of the workshops to get your advising code. If you cannot make it to one of the workshops because of other obligations, you’ll need to make an appointment to come in and talk to one of the Academic Support Coordinators. Likewise, if you are on Probation II, you’ll need to make two appointments this Fall with an Academic Support Coordinator to discuss your status and get your advising code.

To register for the Probation I Workshop (only for students on first semester probation), please visit:
http://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/ykyxo

To make an appointment with an ASC (for students on second semester probation), please visit:
http://www.biology.colostate.edu/undergraduates/schedule-an-appointment/

Critical Add and Drop Dates for Fall Semester

   Last day to drop a restricted drop course (like CO 150)- Aug. 30
   Last day to add a course without an override- Sept. 1
   Last day to drop a course or add a course with an override- Sept. 11
   Last day to withdraw from a course (with a “W” on your transcript)- Oct. 21
   Last day to process a University Withdraw- Dec. 13

THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER IS ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER!

Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter and get daily updates about advising, policy changes, registration and more!

Like us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-State-Biology-Academic-Support-Center/291242517619899
Follow us on Twitter: @CSUBioAdvising
HEALTH PROFESSIONS HAPPENINGS

How Health Professions Advisor can be helpful to you:

Health Professions advisors work with all students who are interested in pursuing a graduate program in a health profession. As a student’s secondary advisor we will guide you in incorporating prerequisite courses that may not be part of your major and in acquiring the experiences that will help them to become competitive candidates for a graduate program.

We meet with the students to explore various programs and to determine those in which they will be competitive candidates. As advisors for the health professions student clubs we work with students to guide them in acquiring community service and clinical experiences, both of which are important components for successful applicants to graduate programs.

We also assist students through the application process, facilitating information sessions and workshops regarding the applications, writing personal statements and will meeting with students to prepare for interviews.

We encourage students to meet with us at least once each semester. Every Monday throughout the semester you will receive information about club meetings, volunteer opportunities, workshops, practice exams, all things related to their interest in health professions.

To set an appointment with a Health Professions advisor, phone the CASA office at 970-491-7095 and the front staff will gladly assist you.

Are you applying to the UC-D School of Pharmacy?

An admissions representative from the Skaggs School of Pharmacy at The University of Colorado-Denver will give a presentation on Pharmacy graduate programs on August 27 at 5PM in TILT 221.

Club Meetings:

To learn when the Health Professions Club for your interest meets, go to the club’s website at: www.hp.casa.colostate.edu. Regularly scheduled club meetings will begin the week of September 2, 2013.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Pets Forever is a CSU non-profit community program designed to help low income elderly keep their pets by providing a variety of services… The website is: petsforever.colostate.edu

The one credit course (VS495 Section 2) will meet Tuesdays 9-9:50 and Wednesdays 12-12:50 in the microbiology building (B120). You need to be able to attend EITHER Tuesday or Wednesday each week. The rest of the service hours (minimum of 4 hours/week), when you see clients, is based on your schedule and can be done in the late afternoons/evenings and weekends in addition to during the day. For additional information or questions, please contact Lori Kogan (lori.kogan@colostate.edu) for more information.

Planning on taking the GRE this fall? The Institute for Learning and Teaching (TILT) is offering a GRE prep course. For more information go to: http://tilt.colostate.edu/learning/shortcourses/grePrep.cfm

There will be FREE practice exams for the GRE, MCAT, PCAT, DAT, and OAT on October 5. Information on time, location and registration will be available soon.

Are you interested in NURSING? Cathleen Mumper, Director of Student Services at the Hahn School of Nursing & Health Science at the University of San Diego will be available to meet with students at 3:00PM on Wednesday September 18. If you are interested, please email linda.stoddard@colostate.edu.

Health Professions Career and Graduate Fair will be Wednesday September 18 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Moby Intramural Gym. Graduate program admission representatives will be on campus. This is your opportunity to learn what health profession graduate programs look for in competitive candidates. Be sure to stop by, introduce yourself and learn about their admission process.
Need help planning your future? Judy Brobst, the Career Center Liaison for the College of Natural Sciences, can assist you with all aspects of your career development! Services offered: Internships & volunteer experiences, resume development, choosing/changing majors, graduate school, online assessments, job search skills, etc. To set up an appointment contact Judy at judy.brobst@colostate.edu or 970-491-5707.

Welcome Back
While the Lory Student Center is closed the Career Center is still functioning! You will find us in the LSC West (Mac Gym) where we are still holding drop in hours on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm and Tuesday from 12:30 – 4:30 pm. There is one counselor available but you can always make an appointment to see a counselor by calling 491-5707.

September is FULL with events and details for all events can be found on the Career Center homepage (http://career.colostate.edu)

Resume and Cover Letter workshop September 9 – 12:15 pm – bring your lunch!

Resume Rush – get your resume critiqued by our trained counseling staff and employers
Tuesday, September 10, 10:00 am LSC 230
Wednesday, September 11 10:00 am LSC 230
Thursday, September 12 10:00 am LSC 230

Career RAM
Log on with your CSU EID to explore internships and job postings that are sent to us by employers.

Build a Life – Don’t Just Live One!!
Career Connections continued on page 5.
ALL UNIVERSITY CAREER FAIR – NEW LOCATION!
INTRAMURAL GYM, MOBY

Focused Fair Days:
**Tuesday September 17** – Technology, Computing, Biotech, Life Sciences, Ag and Natural Resources
**Wednesday September 18** – Ag Business, Business, Communications, Social Services, Liberal Arts, Hospitality/tourism, Health and Wellness

Graduate schools, employers, full time and internships. Come and meet and learn about opportunities!!

You may be interested in the following employers:

- A.T. Still University of Health Sciences
- City Year
- ConAgra Foods
- Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
- Hach Company
- Iowa State University
- JBS
- Kaiser Permanente
- LABS, Inc.
- Pacific University
- Peace Corps
- Seaboard Foods

- Teach for America
- University of Colorado Health Sciences Center
- University of St. Augustine
- University of Wyoming
- USDA, APHIS
- YMCA of the Rockies

That's just day one!! You can find all employers attending in CareerRAM!
Join the Zoology Club! Zoology Club is for those passionate about animals of any major (not just Zoology)! We meet every other week and host guest speakers ranging from zookeepers to professors here at CSU. We also provide an average of 3 trips a semester. Recent trips have included camping at an Emu Ranch, and behind the scenes tours at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo and the Downtown Aquarium in Denver! With summer internships on the way we will also be providing resources for those looking to get involved in research, wildlife, zoos, aquariums, etc! To be part of our mailing list, which will allow you to get updates on meetings and trips please contact us at csuzoologyclub@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!