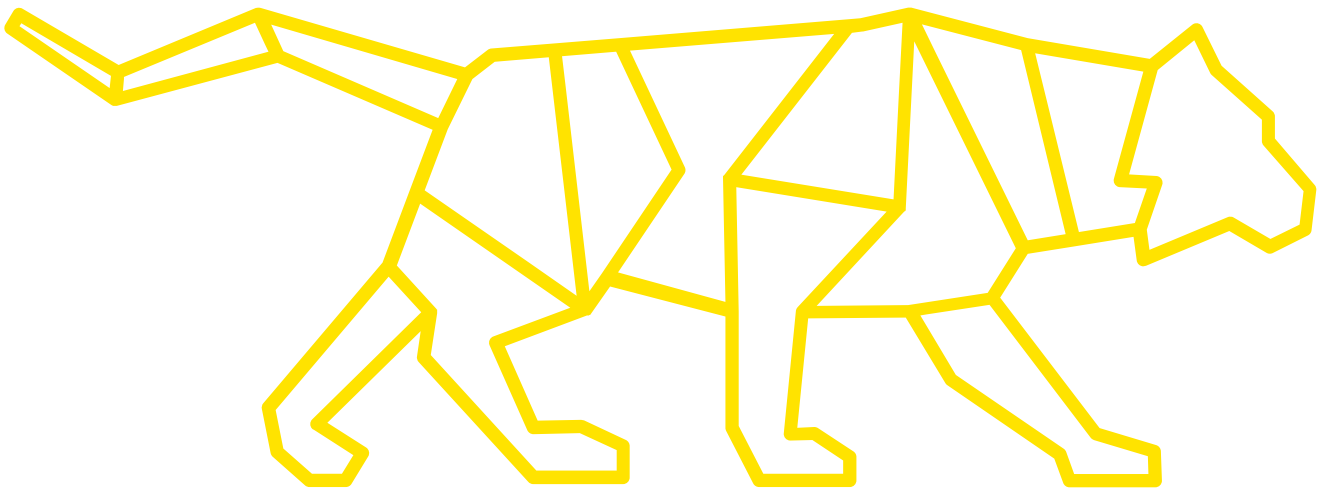


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JUNE NEWSLETTER



UPDATES FROM THE APVMA EXECUTIVE BOARD:

The APVMA Executive Board has been working diligently this past month. We have met with the next APVMA symposium host as well as our advisory board on multiple occasions. President Nubia has begun meeting with our delegates and organizing the first ever APVMA Summer Speaker Series. Vice President Christina has been strengthening our relationships with our current sponsors and meeting with the delegates as well. Treasurer Kylie has been working with our previous scholarship recipients to distribute their scholarship awards. Secretary Bryson has been organizing the google drive, editing this month's newsletter, and setting up registration for the APVMA Summer Speaker Series. Webmaster Brianna has been keeping our social media and website updated with current announcements and helpful information. If you would like to contact anyone on the Executive Board, please email them at the email addresses below:

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A LETTER FROM THE APVMA PRESIDENT

Hi everyone! In these trying times regarding the injustice with George Floyd and the countless lives lost in the black community, I hope that all of you are safe. We recognize that many of our members are hurting right now. **The APVMA stands with our members of color and condemns all acts of racism and bigotry.** If you are looking to help, there are many ways to do so through getting informed, signing petitions, and donating if possible. Please contact the executive board for reputable resources and organizations for more information! We want to reassure our members that you all have our support so please feel free to reach out to us. **The APVMA continues to strive to be inclusive and accepting of all people regardless of their race, gender, or social class.**

One of our major goals this year is accessibility. We officially have our speaker series set in motion. The first speaker of our three-part series will be Diana Dabub, the AAVMC Director of Admissions and Recruitment Affairs. We are happy to be working along-side the AAVMC and SAVMA. Marie Bucko, the student president of SAVMA, has kindly helped gather a student panel for the second part of our series. This Q&A session is meant to help members who are currently applying or looking to apply and want some insight. Our third speaker, Dr. Bryttany Lennox, will be giving a presentation on her journey to vet school and life as a small animal veterinarian. If the speaker series goes well, we can potentially have more speaker series with different topics like financial well-being and mental health!

We would like to thank the past executive board for starting the delegate program. We just had our first meeting with all of our delegates and hope that this will continue to improve our levels of communication between our clubs. Our delegates are eager to take on their positions and we are looking forward to working on projects with them and having their voices as a part of our team. Our VP is leading a project to help the AAVMC reach out to our younger pre-vet communities with the aid of our delegates. The purpose of this project is to boost diversity in the veterinary community and start providing information to young high school and middle school students regarding vet school and get these youngsters inspired and on the path towards veterinary medicine.

As this year progresses, we hope the projects we have initiated and continue to work on will help to make the changes the executive board and I have wanted to make since we were elected. Our community is stronger than we think. Personally, when I was first introduced in the vet community through my job as a kennel tech and the pre-vet club at UCF thanks to Danielle Shendelle (UF CVM class of 2023 and UCF graduate) and Daniela Jarquin (UCF graduate and past VP of the pre-vet club), I was overwhelmed by the amount of support everyone had for each other. I have never felt like someone stepped on me to get farther. This community wants to see each other succeed and I'm feeling blessed that the board and I can continue to foster that environment.

As I mentioned earlier we are here for you. This is why I will be releasing my personal phone number if anyone ever just wants to talk about what they are going through. Although I may never fully understand, I stand with you. I see you and I hear you.

Nubia Salinas | APVMA President

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APVMA SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

DIANA DABDUB

AAVMC Director for Admissions & Recruitment Affairs

Topic: VMCAS 2021 Application Overview

Recording Link on APVMA Website

SAVMA STUDENT PANEL

Topic: Q&A Session with Current Veterinary Students

Recording Link on APVMA Website

DR. BRYTTANY LENNOX

June 19th, 2020 at 4:00PM EST

Topic: Her Journey to Vet School and

Life as a Small Animal Veterinarian

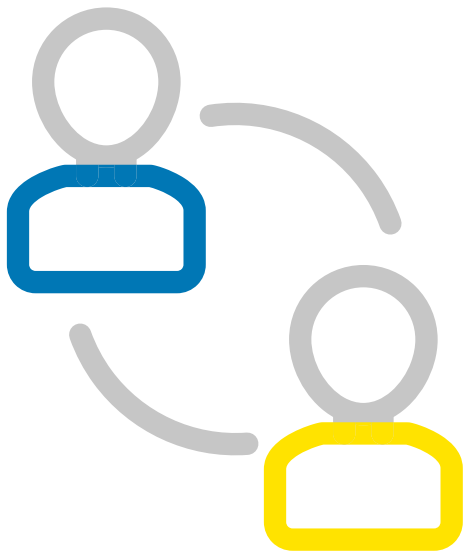
Registration: <https://forms.gle/CWmyYpusGLpyk4kN9>

A recording of each presentation will be posted on the APVMA website for those who were not able to attend

MORE SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: LINKEDIN

LinkedIn, founded in 2003, has become one of the most popular websites connecting professionals around the world! They are currently the world's largest professional network with over 675+ million members. With millions of jobs posted on LinkedIn, it's proven an easy way to help people find employment in every part of the world!



LinkedIn has been a great resource for pre-veterinary students and the veterinary field as a whole! Pre-Vets can connect with veterinarians and veterinary students that have common work experience and interests. They can also upload their resume and apply for jobs, internships, and volunteer opportunities directly through LinkedIn.

Some great pages to follow on LinkedIn are the AVMA, USDA, or any vet school you're interested in! They post interesting articles and updates that keep you in the loop of current research and information in the veterinary field. Don't be afraid to connect with fellow colleagues, professors, veterinarians, and veterinary students. This is an excellent way to meet different professionals globally!

ABOUT THE CASPer

The CASPer is a form of situational judgement tests that accesses the behavioral tendencies of the test-taker and how they would do/react in a certain situation. Some veterinary schools are utilizing the CASPer in their admissions process to make sure that students are not only academically capable but also possess the suitable characteristics of someone who will likely succeed as a veterinarian.

The CASPer is made up of 12 sections where each section contains a video or word based scenario and three open-ended questions. Test-takers have five minutes to type their responses to all three questions. Each section is graded by a different rater and automatically sent to the institution(s) you've selected. The CASPer takes approximately 60-90 minutes to complete with an optional 15 minute break.

Veterinary Schools in the United States that require the CASPer:

- Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine
- Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine
- Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary Medicine
- Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine
- Long Island College of Veterinary Medicine



CASPer

For more information about the CASPer, visit their website:

<https://takecasper.com>

THE 2021 APVMA SYMPOSIUM HOST IS....

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

We are SO excited to announce that Michigan State University has offered to be the host for the 2021 APVMA Symposium! We had our first official meeting and everyone is already working diligently to plan yet another successful symposium! Stay tuned for more updates about dates, speakers, registration, and more!

Interested in being an APVMA symposium host in the future? Click [**HERE**](#) for more information!

FUN FACT OF THE MONTH:



Source: Denver Zoo

The purpose of a male African lion's mane is to make them look bigger, attract females, intimidate male rivals, and protect their throat when fighting.

Lions are also the only cat with a "tufted tail" or long tail with a black tuft of fur on the end. They use their tail to communicate in group hunts and to signal their cubs to follow them.

CLUB OF THE MONTH: BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY'S PRE-VET SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: IVANKA JURAN

Ivanka hails from Queens, NY and is a senior triple-majoring in Biomedical Engineering (BME), German, and Biology. When she's not holed up in the library studying, she enjoys going for walks in the Binghamton Nature Preserve, horseback riding, or watching her favorite shows: "Rick and Morty," "Grey's Anatomy," and "Law and Order: SVU," to name a few. She hopes to use her background in biomedical engineering to design and construct prosthetic devices for animals. As a part of her senior design class, she is currently designing a biomedical device to help a two-legged dog walk. Her favorite animals are dogs, wolves, and dolphins, although she loves working with creatures of all shapes and sizes. She will be starting at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in the fall!



VICE PRESIDENT: LINDSEY MARSHALL

Lindsey is from Merrick, LI and is a senior majoring in Biology and minoring in Health and Wellness. She is also Risk Management Chair for her sorority, Phi Sigma Sigma, and a member of Meditation Club, Photography Club, Cheese Club, and Club Tennis. She also enjoys yoga, exploring nature, reading, and being a vegetarian foodie. Her ultimate veterinary goal is to open a domestic violence shelter that focuses on rehabilitating not only human victims, but also animal victims. Her favorite animal is a peacock because they symbolize compassion, openness and protection. She will be starting at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in the fall!



ABOUT THE CLUB:

Binghamton University's Pre-Vet Society works to create a fun and supportive environment for undergraduate students interested in joining the veterinary field or for those who just love animals. Although their school does not have an official Pre-Veterinary program, their E-Board works extremely hard to provide plenty of opportunities that will set their members up for success when they apply to vet school. Every month, their club members go to a nearby alpaca farm to perform Herd Health, where they get hands on experience giving vaccines, taking fecal samples, checking body condition, and handling alpacas. Their club takes weekly trips to a horse stable nearby to help groom horses and clean stables. There is also a nearby goat farm that several of their members volunteer at. Although they don't have a specific Pre-Vet program, their upperclassmen members serve as mentors to the underclassmen and advise them on what classes to take, how to get experience, and what the application looks like. Once or twice a semester they bring in a vet school representative to speak to the club about vet school admissions. They also dedicate specific weekly meetings to offer scheduling help, give advice on how to get research experience, and Skype with Binghamton alumni who are off at different vet school. This will be their second year attending the APVMA Symposium and they are very excited!

SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT:

LOOP ABROAD

Loop Abroad's mission is to make a positive impact on animal welfare and marine wildlife conservation around the world. They have done this by partnering with world-renowned conservationists and responsible local organizations to support them in their efforts while offering students unprecedented opportunities for hands-on learning across all their programs.

Since many of us counted on summer programs to meet course, internship, and research requirements of grad schools, Loop Abroad has created online options (at a reduced cost) for the summer in effort to support the pre-vet community as we continue moving forward on our path to vet school. They have summer and fall online courses available and have already opened applications for their study abroad programs for summer 2021.

Online summer 2020 courses offered by Loop Abroad:

BIO 401:
**Elephant Management
and Medicine**

BIO 304:
**South Africa Zoo Husbandry
and Management**

BIO 400:
**Companion Animal
Management**

BIO 307:
**Anatomy, Behavior, and
Conservation of African Big Cats**

BIO 308:
**Marine Animal Anatomy,
Behavior, and Conservation**

The photos below were taken of students and doctors during in-person programs. Courses are strictly online for this summer semester. For more information about Loop Abroad's summer online courses, visit their website at: <https://www.loopabroad.com/online-courses/>



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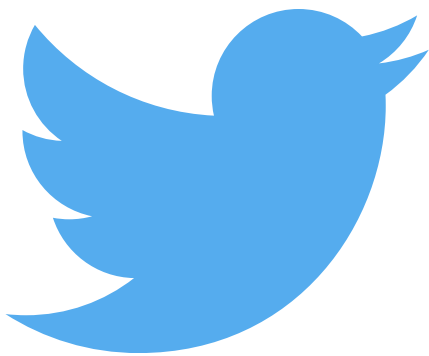
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CLUB REGISTRATION:

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