Updates from the Office of Career Management

The 2014-2015 school year was filled with exciting opportunities and new learning experiences for students. We hosted several events this year, including “ODA Day” at the Ohio Department of Agriculture, where veterinary and public health students learned about numerous opportunities within the government. We again hosted our Alumni-Student Networking Luncheon during Reunion-Homecoming Weekend and offered several mock interviewing opportunities throughout the year.

Speaking of interviewing, in January we launched a brand new mock interviewing tool called InterviewStream. This will allow students (and alumni) to practice and refine their interviewing skills on their own time. If you have an @osu.edu email, feel free to check it out: Osuvet.interviewstream.com. We had several alumni conduct interviews, so if you are interested in learning more about that please contact Kelsey!

We are fortunate every year to have the Midwest Veterinary Conference (MVC) right in our backyard, and since it is an excellent networking opportunity for students, we implemented the MVC Success Series to prepare students for the conference. At MVC, we also hosted the Alumni Lounge with the Office of Advancement. It was great seeing so many of you there! Check out pictures on page 7.

Many alumni and employers already post to our job posting board on the Career Center, serve as mentors, provide guidance and advice for our students, participate in mock interviewing and networking events, and offer numerous shadowing opportunities at your clinic or business. THANK YOU for all you do for the college, the students, and our office. We sincerely enjoy working with you!

Amanda Fark and Kelsey Kerstetter
The Career Center—For Employers AND Job Seekers

As an Employer:
- Find the perfect person to join your practice or business! Post positions for full-time, part-time, or consultant work, including practice managers, associate veterinarians, assistants and veterinary technicians, receptionists, interns, externs, or other important positions
- Access to applicant resumes—search for specific qualifications
- It is FREE to post with Ohio State for as long as you need! There are also options to post nationwide at a discounted rate for alumni of the College of Veterinary Medicine
- Post an unlimited number of positions
- Helpful employer resources, including how to create an effective job posting and advice for attracting top talent
- We can post your position for you! Email your posting to cvmcareers@osu.edu and we will add it to the online job posting board
- On-Campus interviewing and networking opportunities—contact our office to find out more!

As a Job Seeker:
- Employers are often looking for people with several years of experience, so the Career Center is the perfect place to begin your search
- Over 1000 veterinarian jobs, with new positions posted daily
- “Browse” feature allows you to narrow your search so you only see positions you are interested in:

  ![Job Search Features](image.png)

- Set up email alerts so you are the first to know when jobs you might be interested in are posted
- We offer career consultation for alumni who have graduated in the past five years! Contact our office at cvmcareers@osu.edu, or visit The Ohio State Alumni Career Management office: [http://www.osu.edu/alumni/services/career-management/](http://www.osu.edu/alumni/services/career-management/)

VISIT [OSUVETJOBS.ORG](http://OSUVETJOBS.ORG) TO GET STARTED!
Student Spotlight: James Weaver is a non-traditional first year student who used to travel the country with his band. He still loves the music, but found a new passion in veterinary medicine after shadowing a veterinarian in his hometown. “I have always enjoyed science, and after shadowing a small animal veterinarian I knew this was the path for me,” he said.

James, like many of his classmates, attended the Midwest Veterinary Conference in February. He took full advantage of the professional development opportunities there. “I signed up to preside over a series on endocrinology because you need to take advantage of opportunities to learn about the medicine, but also connect with the doctors and the experts,” he said. He also attended the Connection Corner luncheon, a networking event for alumni and employers. “Networking is so important. You are always learning something new, whether it be about the medicine or how to better yourself professionally. I met a lot of general practice veterinarians. What I love about our profession is that people are always hungry to learn more. We don’t get comfortable with our knowledge, we are always wanting to learn more and do more.”

As a veterinary assistant at the Veterinary Medical Center at Dublin, James has been afforded opportunities most first years do not get to experience. He works alongside the emergency veterinarians and puts into practice what he is learning in the classroom. “I ask questions, I love looking at the radiographs and GDVs. You never know what will you will experience when you work in an emergency clinic. Every day is a new learning experience.”

Faculty, staff, and especially alumni play an important role in students’ professional and clinical development, and James is grateful for all the opportunities afforded to him so far in his career. “Every professor and staff member here at the college is committed to our success. And the fact that alumni give their time to come back and talk about their careers and offer their advice — that is invaluable.”

Our students are doing great things to prepare for their careers as veterinary professionals! We asked a few of them to share some of their most rewarding experiences so far:

Doing an externship at First Coast No More Homeless Pets in Jacksonville, FL. It gave me a TON of hands-on experience, including neutering feral cats and learning and doing intubations.
- Jenny Avedisian ’16

Shadowing the large animal vet that took care of my undergrad institution’s dairy herd. By working with him as well as working on the farm, I was able to see cases from both sides, start to finish.
- Jillian Minuto ’18

My most rewarding career opportunity comes from my time as an Infantry Officer in the United States Army. The Army has made me a better person in countless ways and the leadership experience I gained while serving has been insurmountable thus far and will undoubtedly help me establish myself as a dependable leader within the veterinary profession upon graduation as well as throughout my career.
- Steve Miller ’18

Being able to work at the Animal Medical Center in Manhattan. The experiences I had there compare to none other. The number of specialties I was able to observe and unique cases is something that will definitely help me in my future career.
- Kalie Marshall ’18

There are so many to choose from, but most recently, my rotation at Mill Creek Veterinary Services in Visalia, CA. I learned so much about dairy herd management and it really boosted my confidence with palpation!
- Laura Conley ’15

I am so grateful to have the opportunities I’ve had so far as a 1st year student. I’ve enjoyed the multitude of networking opportunities connecting with alumni. It keeps me motivated to know that everything we are doing now actually WILL lead to us all becoming veterinarians!
- Kris Galang ’18
The Class of 2015: The Newest Graduates of The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Join the Alumni Family!

Here are just a few places members of the Class of 2015 are headed after graduation:

Full-Time Employment:

- My Vet Animal Hospital
- Amanda Animal Hospital
- Canal's Edge Veterinary Clinic
- Sacajawea Healthcare for Pets
- Fremont Animal Hospital
- MetroPet Veterinary Clinic
- Waterway Animal Hospital
- Mapleton Veterinary Clinic
- Banfield Pet Hospitals
- North Central Veterinary Service
- Maria Stein Animal Clinic
- Animal Clinic Northview
- Animal Care Centers
- Fredericktown Veterinary Clinic
- Springfield Animal Care Center
- Cleveland Equine Clinic
- Lakewood Animal Hospital
- Stow Kent Animal Hospital
- Sunny Ridge Veterinary Services
- MedVet
- Barnesville Veterinary Services
- Shelter Outreach Services of Ohio
- Oswego Animal Hospital
- Valley West Animal Hospital
- Poland Animal Hospital
- Rascal Animal Hospital
- Byland Animal Hospital
- The United States Army

Internships/Residencies:

- University of Florida
- Michigan State University
- Unionville Equine Clinic
- Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine
- Emergency Animal Clinic
- Pioneer Equine Hospital
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- The Ohio State University
- Red Bank Veterinary Hospital
- Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital
- VCA Hollywood
- Rhidebeck Equine
- University of Georgia
- Iowa State University
- Angell Animal Medical Center
- Texas A&M
- B.W. Furlong & Associates
- Wisconsin Equine Clinic
- New Bolton Center
- Genesee Valley Equine Clinic

Congratulations
LinkedIn and The Ohio State Veterinary Alumni Network
Create [Your LinkedIn Profile](#) and enjoy the many benefits of joining the [Veterinary Alumni Group](#):

### Post and View Job Opportunities
- Looking for a fellow alumni or someone with several years of experience? Post your employment opportunities on the Veterinary Alumni Group.
- Want a career change? New positions are posted regularly.
- Need a student assistant for the summer? Advertise on the group, and also on the [Career Center](#)!

### Connect with Fellow Alumni and Students
- With over 150 members and growing, The Ohio State Veterinary Alumni group is the perfect place to reconnect with old classmates and make new connections.
- Joining groups allows you to build professional relationships with people who have similar interests.
- Virtual Networking—with LinkedIn, you do not need to be in the same place at the same time with others in order to grow your network. Simply connect with others by searching in the group.
- Need advice? Most likely, someone in the group can offer feedback.
- Serve as a mentor for students—you have years of experience and students want mentors who can help them successfully navigate the profession. Connect with students and help guide the next generation of veterinary professionals.

### Share your expertise
- Post relevant articles.
- Share stories.
- Answer questions posed by others.
- Let others know about a new career or opportunity you are taking on.

### Looking to buy or sell a practice? Advertise on the LinkedIn group
- Ready to start your own practice?
- Looking for an exciting opportunity?
- Retiring and ready to sell? LinkedIn is a great place to post your practice or business, and you can view many practices for sale, such as this [Equine Practice](#).
The Bartels Family Endowment:
Supporting Career Development for Generations to Come

The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine was the first in the nation to implement an office dedicated solely to career development for veterinary students and alumni, thanks to a generous endowment from Dr. Harry ’54 and Dr. Don Bartels ’58. It was a vision that had been in the back of the brothers’ minds for quite some time and was finally realized in November of 2012.

Dr. Harry Bartels has a long history of supporting the professional and business development of veterinary students. In the mid 1990’s, he established The Dr. Harry F. Bartels and Eltha J. Bartels Veterinary Practice Fund. “This Fund is used to further the curriculum of veterinary practice management including, but not limited to, training in human resources, financial management, and business marketing for veterinary students and practicing veterinarians,” Dr. Bartels said. “These courses are designed to provide our graduates with the skills needed to be able to earn a living and serve their future clients.”

In November of 2012, Director of Career Management Amanda Fark was hired to implement and run the Office of Career Management, which supports students in all aspects of their career development. Dr. Harry and his brother, Dr. Don Bartels, endowed the office in 2014. “With the changes in the economic picture confronting our new graduates resulting in huge school debts upon graduation, the advent of part time employment, and the issues of an uncertain economy, there has become a need for support for the new young veterinarians, and I’m pleased to be able to be involved in the establishment of the Ohio State Veterinary Medicine Career Management Office,” said Dr. Harry Bartels.

The Office of Career Management works in partnership with the Office of Professional Development to assist students in developing their professional competencies. The office offers one-on-one career exploration and counseling, resume and cover letter review, and hosts several events throughout the year, from networking to professional dress. All this would not be possible without the generous support of alumni like Dr. Harry and Dr. Don Bartels.

“I have always had a keen interest in developing and furthering the business side of veterinary practice. Little information and training had been provided in the Veterinary curriculum [when I was a student],” said Dr. Harry Bartels. He wanted to support a program that would give back for generations to come and support students’ professional growth. “Veterinary Medicine has been my life’s journey and passion. All that I have achieved over these many years including job satisfaction and many friendships are a result of the education I received at Ohio State and the College of Veterinary Medicine. To this I owe much and to this I have dedicated my efforts, time, talents and financial resources to advance the future of our College and the next generation of students and veterinarians.”

The Office of Career Management was dedicated to the Bartels in a ceremony on October 16, 2014. Pictured left: Kelsey Kerstetter, Dean Lonnie King ’70, Dr. Harry Bartels ’54, Dr. Don Bartels ’58, Ginny Bartels, Alex Reist ’16, Tim Beck ’17, Danielle Ford, Associate Dean Linda Lord ’99, Luke Morrow ’16, Kaitlin Mielnicki ’16, Sarah Wahlstrom ’17, Dr. Michelle Harcha ’85, Amanda Fark, Dan Davidson ’16, and Bonnie Bates.
The Midwest Veterinary Conference Alumni Lounge

The Office of Career Management, in partnership with the Office of Advancement, hosted the Alumni Lounge at the 2015 Midwest Veterinary Conference, a gathering place for alumni and friends to reconnect with each other and meet with members of our team!