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INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE
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IACUC Office Staffing Changes

Lori Bugher, IACUC Senior Administrative Assistant, retired from Purdue effective May 29, 2020. Lori was with the IACUC office for many years and will be very much missed in our office. She truly served as my right hand for many years. We wish Lori and her family much happiness in this new chapter of their lives.

Deana Galema transitioned into Lori's position effective April 1, 2020. Deana has been in the IACUC office for several years, mainly working with the Animal Exposure Occupational Health Program. Deana has taken over all of Lori's duties including (but not limited to): animal ordering, animal census, animal transfers, Coeus-related items, and the quarterly newsletter. At some point, I will be back-filling Deana's old position. Deana may be reached at dgalema@purdue.edu or 47259.

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A Letter from Our Training Coordinator

I hope this letter finds you well and eager to get back to “normal” on-campus work! I wanted to assure you that I am very eager to get back to helping you prepare for your research!

There will undoubtedly be some changes as we transition back to our new “normal.” I want you to begin preparing your plans regarding sending students for training or requesting training. I fully expect to be overwhelmed with training requests, but I will do everything I can in order to work with as many of you as possible in a timely manner. As I am writing this, we have not yet received instructions on social distancing or PPE requirements from the University with regards to close contact teaching. I do expect that we will all be wearing masks and making every effort to protect ourselves and each other from this invisible virus. Going forward I ask:

- Request training only for those that will be actively working with animals unsupervised.
- Refrain from sending students for training that will not have an active role with animals.
- Do not come for training if you have a fever, cough, rash, difficulty breathing, been exposed to someone with the virus, or feel ill. Please call or email my office if you are unable to attend your scheduled class, or to keep me informed of possible virus exposure. It is imperative that you be open and honest with me regarding potential contact tracing. I see many people every day and I want to keep everyone protected and healthy.
- All participants will be provided an individual working space in the laboratory.
- All participants will be expected to **don their own mask upon arrival to the AHF building.**
 - ◆ Face coverings often cause a feeling of claustrophobia or make you feel very hot. Because of this, I expect that a certain low percentage of you may faint during the class. Please be sure to eat and hydrate before class. If you are feeling “faint,” PLEASE sit down or lean against the wall.
- All trainees will be given a disposable gown and gloves to be worn during the lab portion of training.
- Lab coat and gloves will be doffed before exiting the laboratory, and trainees will wash their hands or use provided hand sanitizer.

I have not published a Summer / Fall training schedule, but will do so shortly after the University provides specific details on “safe” return to campus work instructions.

I look forward to working with you!

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Newly Revised IACUC Protocol Application Attachment

The IACUC Protocol Application Attachment has recently been revised. The newly revised version is dated April 2020 and is available on the IACUC website (<https://www.purdue.edu/research/regulatory-affairs/animal-research/forms.php>). Please always use the version from the website and not one that you may have saved to your computer. Please use the April 2020 version effective immediately for any new or triennial submissions.

For those familiar with Coeus, you will notice that the Questionnaire, Protocol Addendum is no longer available for completion when submitting new or triennial protocols for review. All questions that were embedded in the addendum have been moved to the revised protocol attachment. Moving these questions from the addendum became necessary due to the instability of the questionnaire.

As always, please contact the PACUC office with questions that you may have regarding submission of protocols/amendments through the Coeus system.

Face Covering Requirement in Animal Buildings

The IACUC (previously PACUC) would like to remind you and your laboratory personnel / students, that as of Tuesday, May 26, Purdue is now requiring that face covering be worn when entering public spaces on and off campus in Purdue buildings. <https://protect.purdue.edu/required-covid-19-protocols/> This includes public spaces used when entering animal facilities. Once inside the animal facility, please look for signage directing you how to change from your face covering to the type of face mask required in animal/procedure rooms.

Please understand that if you and/or your lab personnel/students are found entering animal buildings without a face covering, you will be politely reminded to put it on. If you do not have it with you, you will be asked to leave the facility to retrieve it.

If you have any concerns regarding this requirement in the animal facilities, please contact me. Thank you.

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2020 IACUC MEETINGS

Meeting Date	Deadline for Protocol Submission
June 17	May 29
July 15	June 26
August 19	July 31
September 16	August 28
October 21	September 25
November 18	October 30
December 16	November 27