

GUVMA GAZETTE

Glasgow University Veterinary Medical Association
Fresher's Gazette



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Welcome to Glasgow!

GUVMA President's Welcome

Hello Class of 2028!

Welcome to your home for the next 5 years. We hope you will love it as much as we do!

We know how daunting it will be starting this new chapter in your life, but the hard work has paid off, you have made it to vet school, so lets enjoy it! We all know you've earned it.

GUVMA will be here for you through it all. A long study day? Help yourself to the refreshments in the GUVMA kitchen and unwind in the common room. In need of a night out? GUVMA organises plenty throughout the year, it won't be hard to find one.

We look forward to seeing you around campus, don't be a stranger!

Your GUVMA Presidents,

Annie McGilvray & Griffin Weller

What is GUVMA?

The Glasgow University Veterinary Medical Association is a collection of student representatives, clubs, and societies, which collectively serve to enhance the student experience here at the University of Glasgow, both professionally and socially. All Students are welcome to join!



We are a student run governing body for both Veterinary and BioScience students at Glasgow. From a practical standpoint, we have a committee who engage with students and aim to represent everyone's interest within the administration and the wider university. This contributes greatly to maintaining the sense of unity we have on the vet school campus. We all come together – students and staff, local and international, vets and biovets – so that we can achieve more! How do we do this? We promote clubs on campus, meet with staff, help students find avenues to explore their passions, unite student voices over concerns, foster a sense of community on campus, and hold social activities for everyone to get together.

GUVMA organises a number of big events throughout the year. In the fall, we go head-to-head with our rivals, the Edinburgh Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Medicine, in a sport day and pub crawl called Dick Day. Then in the spring, we don our evening attire for the annual Vet Ball. We even coordinate an entire month of daily activities for the vet school campus for our mental wellbeing campaign called Feel Good February!

We also have a huge range of clubs, societies, and sport teams to cover all interests! Some are co-curricular and let you supplement the course by offering a diversity of learning opportunities, including hearing from unique speakers and gaining more hands-on experience. Other clubs allow you the space to diversify from Vet Med. GUVMA also has several charity organizations that you can get involved in and help give back to the community!

Why should I join GUVMA?

Membership is a one-off fee of £50 for veterinary students, £40 for Biovets. Being a member in GUVMA allows you to have free or reduced entry fees to all GUVMA-sponsored events, vote in all GUVMA elections to help choose your representation, and sit on the committee/run in elections to help us continue to make this campus an amazing place! It also gives you free membership to AVS and IVSA. It is a lifetime membership so you stay a part of the Glasgow Vet School community even after you graduate! Membership can be purchased on our website [here!](#) You will then receive a membership ID from the secretary valid for life and can get a membership sticker at Fresher's Fayre.

Fresher's Fayre

The **Freshers Fayre** will be held at the beginning of your first semester. You'll be able to chat to representatives of all the GUVMA affiliated clubs on campus and find out how to join various organizations and teams, and how to participate in all the activities you want to!

Keep an eye out on our social media pages for information about your "welcome social event", the **Freshers Forum** and all of the other activities GUVMA has planned for you in the first few weeks! This will include a GUVMA townhall for first years. This will be an opportunity for you to ask us any and all questions you have about the vet school. We look forward to seeing you!

Meet the GUVMA Executive Committee

Senior President

Annie McGilvray

Hello Class of 2028!

It is a pleasure to welcome you all into our vet school community. I hope you settle in quickly and make yourself at home! From the staff to the entire GUVMA committee, we are all here for you to help you start this new and exciting chapter in your life.



I am from Glasgow and decided to stay close to home to study as some of the most wonderful vets I have had the pleasure of working with went to this incredible school. I am a current final year student and have loved my time here at Glasgow. I have a keen interest in the farm animal side of veterinary medicine and I am so excited to be your Senior President for this academic year. We have many exciting plans in store for you all and I can't wait!

My biggest piece of advice would be to jump right in and join a club straight away - be it sports or otherwise, at the vet school or the main university. I was part of the cheerleading club for 4 years - the sport side was a great release from studying and the social side was so much fun, I also made friends for life across all different courses.

I'll always be a friendly face around campus so please feel free to reach out anytime about anything at all. I'm always up for a coffee and a chat.
See you around!

Junior President

Griffin Weller

My name is Griffin Weller, GUVMA Junior President.

As a student my passions range from pathology to theriogenology- as well as a burning passion for all things coffee or outdoors-related.

I hope to gain insight from all corners of the student body to help contribute to an environment where everyone feels they have the right and want to be heard.

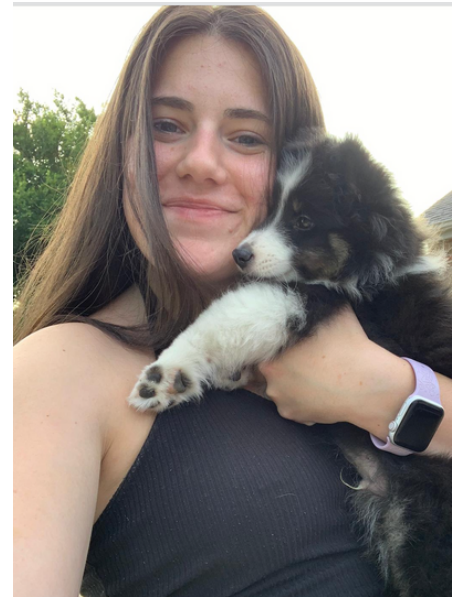
Glasgow Vet School has become such a special place to me in a short amount of time, so I hope I can help each student find their niche and drive to explore beyond their comfort zones.

Meet the GUVMA Executive Committee

Secretary

Mary Logue

My name is Mary Logue. I'm the new secretary for GUVMA and a third year BVMS student. I'm from Columbia, Missouri, USA. After graduation, I hope to be a locum tenens animal veterinarian. I'm excited to start this new opportunity in September!



Treasurer

Brittany Williams



Hi Class of 2028, welcome to Glasgow! My name is Brittany Williams and I am your Treasurer. I'm from Tennessee in the US, but I have lived all over including Florida, Virginia, Washington DC, New York City, and I spent 6 months living in China. I am a fourth year student and my background is in shelter medicine, but I have discovered my love of sheep since moving to Glasgow, so I am thinking about going into mixed practice. There are so many clubs and activities to do on campus, I highly recommend joining at least one club and being active in the Glasgow community. Hope you enjoy your first year, it will be the start of a great adventure! Feel free to reach out if you have any questions!

Meet the GUVMA Executive Committee

Treasurer Elect

Currently vacant - stay tuned for elections in September!

Role Description -The Treasurer Elect shall assist the Treasurer with operation of the bank accounts and with maintaining the Financial Workbooks. The Treasurer Elect is expected to assist the Treasurer with all responsibilities and should be prepared to step in should the Treasurer need. Treasurer Elect will also be available to help other officers when possible.

BioScience Executive

Ari Thompson



Hello Everyone! Welcome to Uni of Glasgow Vet School and I hope you are excited to start. I'm Ari, a third-year VetBio student from Glasgow and I am very excited to be taking over the role of Veterinary Bioscience exec this year. I have enjoyed getting involved with GUVMA in my previous years through my roles as social and class reps, so this year I am looking forward to being more involved. I am hoping through my position to get more VetBio students involved and have a better presence within the vet school. I'm usually blasting music and reading when I am not studying or discovering my craft of the week. I am always happy to chat, especially if it's about marine animals (my classmates may say I have a slight obsession). I also love baking and cooking so would love to get involved with any of the many bake sales throughout the year. We are very fortunate that there is such an active community within the vet school with so many clubs and activities. I hope that you will get involved, especially the VetBio students, as they are a great way of meeting new people, getting some amazing experiences and learning about future careers. I am happy to answer any questions or queries, so feel free to shoot me an email or catch me while on campus :D

Meet the GUVMA Executive Committee

PR Rep

Alyssa Maurer

Welcome to Glasgow!

My name is Alyssa Maurer and I am a fourth year student. I am from Pennsylvania in the US. Before starting vet school and during breaks I work as a certified veterinary technician in a small animal non-profit practice. I have an interest in small animal medicine as well as exotics.

My biggest advice as you start this journey is to get involved in the vet school community, whether that means become class rep, joining clubs, or even starting your own clubs! If you have any questions feel free to reach out!



IT Rep

Charisse Leung

Hello!

Welcome to Glasgow School of Biodiversity, One Health & Veterinary Medicine (aka Glasgow Vet School). I am Charisse, 3rd year vet med student, and this year's IT Rep. I am originally from Hong Kong, but having placements on farms opened my eyes to production animal medicine, so it's likely that I would head to that direction in terms of my career!

Outside school, I am a caffeine and gym addict. (Love a latte from The Barn) As the IT Rep, I am in charge of everything IT, most importantly our website, www.guvma.co.uk! If you have any feedback regarding the website, or anything tech-related in the vet school, please don't hesitate to reach out via guvmait@gmail.com and I will try my best to help! I am looking forward to meeting all of you!



Meet the GUVMA Executive Committee

Social Reps

Stephen Williams

Hey there, Class of 2028!

Welcome to the wildest ride of your lives at the University of Glasgow Veterinary School! Congrats on surviving the grueling application process. We made it, folks! Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime. From hitting up the local pubs with your crew to spontaneously jetting off to France, there's no limit to what you can do!

I'm Stephen, and I proudly hail from the one and only Alabama, the greatest state in the good ol' U.S. of A. Y'all can call it Sweet Home!

I graduated from Auburn University back in 2021, rocking the Biomedical Sciences and Microbiology scene with a dash of pharmacology expertise. I may not have any furry buddies here in Glasgow, but let me tell you about the legends I used to roll with: Tyrone and Theta, the baddest Betta fish in town. Rest in peace, my fishy friends.

When the sun graces us with its rare appearance, you'll likely find me huffing and puffing on a jog down Byres Road towards the River Clyde or working up a sweat on the Hillhead tennis courts with my mates. Traveling, hiking, and chilling with a cup of joe while shooting the breeze with my buddies are just a few of my favorite things. Glasgow is bursting with sports clubs and societies, so get ready to dive into a whirlwind of activities!

I can't wait to meet all you fine folks, and I guarantee you're in for a wild ride. We've got loads of events lined up to help you connect with your classmates and forge friendships that'll last a lifetime. If you ever need a hand or fancy a laid-back coffee session, just give me a shout. I'm here to make your Glasgow experience unforgettable. Let's do this.



Vasundhara Agarwal

Hello and Welcome Class of 2028 to the University of Glasgow family! Congratulations on getting in and starting a new and exciting journey. I hope you all have been taking the last few days to relax, now that college decision-making is over and the hard work from the last few years has paid off.

I'm Vasundhara, 20, a third year student from India. I have two lovely dogs back home who are the reason I'm studying to be a vet today. I have keen interest in small animal surgery & marine biology (turtle rehabilitation center in the Maldives-hope to see you soon).

We have a lot of exciting events planned for you and we hope they will give you the opportunity to connect in-person with your peers to make new memories, experience leadership opportunities, establish lifelong friendships, gain real world learning, and of course, have fun!

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions you have, and I look forward to seeing you on campus.



Meet your GUVMA Committee

Hang on, its a big group!

GUVMA Officers

AVS Senior

Claire Hunter

AVS Junior

Andrea Suarez Carrio

Big Vet Wee Vet Coordinators

Caitlin Peck, Aicea Grace, Hannah Rich

Diversity & Inclusion Officers

Berenice Garcia & Natasha M. Cruz González

Food Officer

Currently vacant

Rodeo Convenor

Tiana Griessel

Shop Senior Manager

Grace Showalter

Shop Junior Manger

Rose Chang

Sports Representatives

Aislinn O'Keefe & Mary Allen-Walmisley

Welfare Representative

Currently vacant

GUVMA Class Reps

BVMS 1 Class Reps

This is a space for two of you!

BVMS 2 Class Reps

Hannah Moysey & Amya Crounse

BVMS 3 Class Reps

Jason Kowalczyk & Paloma Quadri

BVMS 4 Class Reps

Currently vacant

BVMS 5 Class Reps

Taylor Randag & Alice Le Marchant

Affiliated Clubs and Organisations

Avian Medicine Club

Banfield

Borrow My Doggie

British Small Animal Veterinary Association

Canadian Student Medical Association

Glasgow Academic Student Peer Support

Glasgow Ecology Conservation Health Organisation

Glasgow Equine Veterinary Society

Glasgow Farm Animal Veterinary Society

Glasgow University Anatomy Club

Glasgow Veterinary Knitting Club

Glasgow Veterinary LGBT+ Club

Glasgow University One Health Society

Glasgow University Theriogenology Society

Glasgow University Veterinary Behavioral Society

Glasgow University Veterinary Zoological Society

Glasgow Veterinary Neurology Club

Glasgow Veterinary Shelter Medicine Club

Glasgow Vets Art Club

Glasgow Vet Fitness

Hill's

Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association

International Veterinary Students' Association

IVC Evidensia

Pathology Club

Royal Canin

Medical Detection Dogs

Medivet

Students for Animals in Need (SAIN)

Student American Veterinary Medical Association

Student Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Society

SVME

Trusty Paws

VetCT

Veterinary Glasgow Evidence-Based Medicine Society

Veterinary Christian Fellowship

Veterinary Emergency Group

VetStrategy

Women's Veterinary Leadership Development Initiative

Getting Around Garscube Campus

During Fresher's Week, and in the coming weeks on campus, you will get to know all of these places. Here's a quick snapshot of the important ones to know. See a tour of the GUVMA Shop [here!](#)

McCall Building



The Mary Stewart Building (MSB)



The Barn



The James Herriot Library



Weipers Centre



The Small Animal Hospital



Getting Around Gilmorehill Campus

The vet school is based on the Garscube Campus but the main university and a lot of the main university services are based on the Gilmorehill Campus in the West End. Below are a few of the main buildings worth noting:

University Library



The Fraser Building



McIntyre Building



The "Stevie" Stevenson Gym



Work Hard, Play Harder

**Glasgow
University
Union (GUU)**



**Queen Margaret Union
(QMU)**



Sanctuary



Old School House



Socials

Social Reps: Stephen Williams & Vasundhara Agarwal

Here at Glasgow, the motto “Work hard, play hard” is one we live by. We pride ourselves on being the vet school that has the most fun and vet school social events are a great way to help you get to know everyone. So here’s a “quick” summary to give you an idea of what to expect!

We will kick the year off with the Freshers Forum in which you will be able to kick back with current students at one of the local pubs and meet your Big Vet. Great way to get much needed advice from the seasoned vets too. Next up is the Big GUVMA BBQ. We all gather at the Garscube campus to play some sports and games, then we will wrap the evening up with a BBQ. Then in honour of classes starting, we have the Welcome Back Party to kick-start the year with a fancy-dress theme. Perfect chance to get to know as many people at vet school as you can!

Up next, join us if you dare, for a Halloween scare! The Vet school Halloween is another chance for you to show off your creative abilities and wear your best costume. From tutu’s to leggings and whiskers, anything goes!

This should manage to keep you entertained until February, with one of the biggest weekends in vet school – The Weekend of Dreams. The weekend will start off on the Thursday with a new event this year so stay tuned! Then Old Boys/Girls which will give you the chance to meet and play sports against past students, followed by a classic night out in Sanctuary. Then on Saturday night is Vet Ball, where everyone powers through their hangovers and attempts to scrub up for a night of dinner, drinking and dancing!

As a nice break from exams, we have Rodeo! Use the fact that the money raised goes to charity as an excuse for a revision break. A great day out with tons of activities. As first years you will get the opportunity to volunteer to help out, either with car parking or at the various stalls. The Rodeo Sub-Crawl is also great fun, which essentially involves riding the subway wearing a cowboy hat and gradually going from tipsy to just plain drunk.

Finally, we have Final Fling go give the final years a send off after they have finished their exams.

As you can see there is a busy year ahead of you. We hope you take as many opportunities as you can to relieve the stress of the degree and enjoy all that vet school has to offer. Looking forward to seeing you all in September!!

To the class of 2028: Welcome to Glasgow!
Your lovely social reps,
Stephen & Vasundhara



Socials



Vet Ball



GUVMA Common Room Painting for Feel Good February



Our riding team represented at National finals this past summer!



Feel Good February, 5k



The Big GUVMA BBQ



A tense moment on the pitch for Men's Football... penalties on Dick Day

Sports

Sports Reps: Aislinn O'Keefe & Mary Allen-Walmisley



VET SPORT TEAMS:

- Women's Netball
- Men's Football
- Women's Football
- Mixed Hockey
- Men's Rugby
- Women's Rugby
- Riding Club

TEAMS NOT COMPETED AT DICK DAY:

- Mixed Lacrosse
- Weightlifting

Learn more about them all [here!](#)

Welcome class of 2028 and welcome to UofG vet sports!

We oversee the vet sports teams and are also in charge of planning one of the most exciting days of the year: Dick Day!

This is where Glasgow vet teams compete against the Edinburgh vet teams and this year will be hosted right here in beautiful Glasgow.

The exciting day of sports is would not be complete without a social with the Edinburgh vets following all of the sports fixtures. We can't wait to see you all there!



Important Affiliations

Staying connected to the profession, locally, nationally, and internationally!

AVS: Association of Veterinary Students

The Association of Veterinary Students, seeks to represent, support and engage veterinary students throughout the UK & Ireland. It is a student run organisation for students to promote well-being and an opportunity for students to have a voice within the BVA: British Veterinary Association. The biggest event within AVS, is the AVS sports weekend. It is a weekend long sporting and drinking affair where all vet schools get together at the nominated hosts city for games, pub-crawls and general horsing around in themed fancy dress. It is a huge social event with limited tickets, so keep an eye out for the sports weekend updates.



To become a member of AVS at Glasgow, you will need to first, be a GUVMA member. GUVMA membership fee's covers the AVS membership.

To find out more information, check out the AVS website [Here](#) or on our Facebook [Here](#)

Alternatively, you can contact either Claire Hunter (Senior rep) at GlasgowSenior2@gmail.com or Andrea Suarez (Junior rep) at GlasgowJunior2@gmail.com



SRC: Students' Representative Council

The Glasgow University Students' Representative Council is there to support students and ensure their time is as enjoyable, safe and interesting as possible! Students on the SRC range from class representatives, through to council and executive members who ensure that the interests and views of Glasgow's diverse student body are addressed at all levels throughout the university, and externally at the government level.

There is a huge range of services provided by the SRC, including Flatshare, Jobshop, Secondhand bookshop, nightline, and opportunities for all the affiliated clubs and societies on campus. You will be able to explore everything the university has to offer at Freshers Week in September, but for now see everything they have to offer here: [Home \(glasgowunisrc.org\)](http://glasgowunisrc.org)



From this link you can see the main campus clubs and societies that you can join. There are also student events as well as volunteering opportunities. You can also find further advice and support links. You can be involved as you'd like! There are also opportunities to represent your peers. This coming year the vet school does not have an SRC rep yet - it could be you! Look for an email from the src council early fall for how to run!

Important Affiliations

Student American Veterinary Medical Association (SAVMA)

SAVMA is the **Student American Veterinary Medical Association**. It is the student branch of the AVMA and reports directly to it!

SAVMA Benefits Include **FREE** Access to:

- Professional headshots
- OSCES revision sessions
- Wet lab practicals
- EMS bursaries (scholarships)
- Speaker events
- Fun socials
- Free yoga classes/ mental health activities
- SAVMA News and Vet Gazette
- **Veterinary Student Professional Liability Insurance!** (an essential for EMS)
- Discounted/ free conferences during and after vet school
- 1st year **AVMA membership** FREE after graduation (CURRENT VALUE OF \$370)
- (If ALL 5 years of SAVMA Membership paid)
- **AND SO MUCH MORE!!!**

Pay your **SAVMA dues** and you will automatically be a member! £75 for 5 years (Recommended Option)
OR
£15 for 1 year (Fees may go up Yearly)

Please **Bank Transfer** with the following subject line:

FIRST Initial, Last Name- Dues EX. ASmithDues

Bank Details:

Account Name: Glasgow SAVMA (business account)
Sort Code: 80-22-60
Account #: 18522961

* If your bank account name **DOES NOT MATCH** your registered student name, then please send an email to vet-savma@glasgow.ac.uk after bank transferring. *



← Scan THIS QR Code for even more SAVMA information!

Welcome to Glasgow!
Your UofG SAVMA Committee

Important Affiliations

Students of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (SCVMA)

The SCVMA hosts a variety of events from socials such as Thanksgiving, Barn Dances, Hockey Nights, Karaoke Pub Crawls, 5K run/walk and other exciting and fun events that let you experience all Glasgow and the CVMA has to offer. We also host educational events such as practical skills sessions and seminars/webinars with influential veterinarians. Membership with the CVMA allows access to our events as well as reduced cost to any open social or academic event we host. Final years are eligible for Neumann Legacy Bursary. Membership gains access to the CVMA 3rd year scholarship and it also gives you membership and access to the Official CVMA page and everything the CVMA has to offer. This club is open to everyone and we already have a diverse committee and membership base from all over the globe.

We're really looking forward to meeting you in the fall! In the meantime, we can be found on [Facebook CVMA Glasgow Student Club](#), on Instagram [@cvmaglasgow](#) and you can always e-mail us at cvmaglasgowvetmet@gmail.com.



• INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS OF THE
CANADIAN VETERINARY
MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

• ÉTUDIANTS INTERNATIONAUX DE
L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE
DES MÉDECINS VÉTÉRINAIRES

Student Support

For when you need a little help or someone to talk to along the way!

Glasgow Academic Student Peer Support (GASPS)

GASPS is a group that provides help and support, particularly to first years, with the academic demands of vet school. We come in at various key points during the year to give short talks which look to pass on advice and tips from upper year students about exams, assignments, and vet school in general. We run tea and cake sessions in pre-covid years, where we invite a handful of older students to come and have an informal chat with first years to allow space for you to ask any questions you may have. We hope to have these talks again once restrictions are down.

This year we set up our Peer Tutoring Program, where first years who said they were struggling with a certain module or topic could be matched with an older student who was happy to take some time and go over it with them.

Lastly, we also have a Facebook page where students can ask questions about EMS placements, final year timetables, exam studying, or really anything! There are always lots of people that provide answers! GASPS is here to make first year a bit less daunting and provide tea and cake where possible.

[GASPS Facebook Group](#)

Questions? Contact us here: 2432543w@student.gla.ac.uk

Glasgow Vet School Peer Wellbeing Support

Peer Support is a group of trained students within the vet school, dedicated to promoting good mental health and wellbeing amongst all students. We all underwent 30 hours of listening and support training and offer a confidential listening service which runs both online and in person. We work closely with university student support services and we're always here to listen and help you through whatever issues you may have. Creating a safe, judgement free space for students to reach out to is at the heart of what we're all about and no matter the size or the topic of your worries, all your concerns are important to us! You can spot our posters around campus and follow us on social media to stay up to date with our events and open hours, but most importantly: take care of yourself and reach out if you need support!



Student Support

GUVMA Big Vet Wee Vet

Starting a new chapter of your life in an unfamiliar city can be an intimidating experience and I'm sure there's a lot on your mind. Where will I live? Will I have trouble making new friends? Where is the sun?

Answers to these questions, and more, are where your Big Vet comes in!

"Big Vet Wee Vet" is a student run mentorship program that pairs you with a like-minded "big" who was in your shoes just a few years ago. They have successfully navigated the potential pitfalls of adjusting to a difficult program and a new city and are there to help you do the same! Not only will your Big be a source of vet school wisdom, but they'll also be a new friend (and will be sure to buy you your first pint, if you're so inclined). We do our best to pair our big vets with incoming freshers based on our survey to make sure you'll have a compatible mentor who has a similar life experience and will understand any specific difficulties you may have during the first few months. Who better to show a Wee Vet around than a Big Vet that has already been through it?

Feel free to ask them questions about everything from food recommendations to study advice. Your Big will be there to offer firsthand experience and show you the ropes as you begin this adventure!

When do we meet our Bigs? As acceptances roll out throughout the summer, the BVWV coordinators will be matching you up with your Bigs so that you can get in touch via email or social media. Next, you'll get to meet in person as school starts in September. We'll host events like our traditional pub crawl through the West End and new events (yet to be announced) where you'll be faced by various challenges to complete with your Big, with a prize for winners!

Finally, we'd like to congratulate you all on making it this far!

Glasgow vets are known for working hard and playing harder.

The journey towards realizing your dream starts here and we can't wait to meet you!

You Big Vet Wee Vet Coordinators,

Alicea Grace, Caitlin Peck & Hannah Rich



Clubs and Societies

There are plenty to get involved in!

International Veterinary Student Association

International Veterinary Student Association (IVSA) is a non-profit international organization with member organizations all over the world, run by volunteer veterinary students. ALL students at a given veterinary school in the UK and Ireland have their IVSA membership paid for by AVS, making them all automatically members of their university's IVSA chapter.

IVSA Glasgow aims to encourage Glasgow University Veterinary Students to explore other cultures and experiences by hosting events throughout the year, as well as exchanges with other IVSA chapters. During these exchanges students from another university will come to Glasgow and then Glasgow students will go visit that university. If you are a veterinary student at University of Glasgow, interested in going on an exchange and would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We are currently looking for fresh faces to get our club back up and running, so please get in touch if you would like to be a part of this great organisation!

Check out the organisation here: ivsaukireland.glasgow@ivsamo.org
<https://ivsaglasgow.weebly.com/>

IVSA GLASGOW



Clubs and Societies



Glasgow Equine Veterinary Society (GEVS)

Glasgow Equine Veterinary Society

The Glasgow Equine Veterinary Society (GEVS) provides equine related content to all veterinary students. We host lectures, practicals, and events pertaining to equine medicine. We serve as the veterinary school's representation of the British Equine Veterinary Association (BEVA) and the British Student Equine Veterinary Association (BSEVA). We can be found on Facebook at or contacted by email at gevsglasgow@gmail.com or Megan Murphy at 2521088M@student.gla.ac.uk

[GEVS Facebook Page](#)

[Insta Page](#)



Glasgow Farm Animal Veterinary Society (GFAVS)

GFAVS is the Glasgow Farm Animal Vet Society and is for any vet student who is interested in farm animal work and wants to learn more than is taught in lectures - regardless of farming background.

Our aim is to bring a variety of farm animal based workshops and interesting presentations to the vet school - guest speakers are always happy to answer questions and offer a great chance to make new contacts and explore the unseen parts of farm practice!

In the last few months we have hosted speakers on topics ranging from calf pneumonia management and neonatal lamb care to bovine fertility and potential career paths in mixed practice. We even have a talk coming up on Laparoscopic LDA surgeries, which may become the norm in time!

The learning isn't just reserved for the lecture halls though, in March 2021 we visited the Highland Wagyu Farm in Perthshire, the largest producer of fullblood Wagyu cattle in the UK and in November 2022 we visited Portnellan Organic Beef farm on the shores of Loch Lomond! These trips have been a great way for people of all backgrounds to see different types of beef production systems and ask questions directly to the farmers.

Every February we have a FAVS Congress - a rewarding weekend of socialising with farm animal enthusiasts from other vet schools! It consists of lectures and practicals during the day, with a dinner and dance on the Saturday night.

We are always receptive to new ideas and contacts through student or staff as we are a friendly group so feel free to share your thoughts. All our events will be promoted on our Facebook page (GFAVS) and Instagram (@glasgowfav), along with in the GUVMA newsletter.

As a society, all we want is to spread a little of our enthusiasm for farm animal practice with the newest batch of vets. Whether you have worked around farm animals all your life, or if you don't even know what a cow looks like, we would love to show you what we have to offer! We look forwards to meeting all the new freshers at the Fayre!

Contact us here: glasgowfav1@gmail.com

[Facebook Page](#) and [Insta](#)



Clubs and Societies

Glasgow University Students for Diversity and Inclusion

The Diversity and Inclusion Student Committee aims to promote equity and inclusion throughout the University of Glasgow. We advocate for students, liaise with staff to inspire change, do community outreach, and put on events to raise awareness of issues.



In this past year, we: -Started the induction buddy program -Helped with GUVMA D&I month and worked with D&I officer. -Got pronouns on name badges -Highlighted our amazing D+I support staff -Hosted a student-led sexual health chat -Organised a women's aid workshop -Organised a men's mental health talk -Helped staff with Athena Swan diversity certification -Provided inclusive opinions on GUVMA policies - Established a disability liaison and support group

Contact us here: svms.diversity.inclusion@gmail.com
[Facebook Group](#)

GUVMA's Diversity and Inclusion Officers

Natasha M. Cruz González

Hola Hola! Congratulations and welcome to the University of Glasgow and to a new adventure. My name is Natasha, and I was born and raised in Puerto Rico. I have a bachelor's degree in Animal Science in which I gained an understanding of the fundamentals of animal biology and more. Currently, I am a third year veterinary student and a dog mom. I have a lovely dog called Dahlia del Mar who is my partner in crime on all of my adventures. As a student living in a new city, I want to say that it is going to be challenging but you are not alone. I believe that Glasgow is an amazing city to get to know and meet people from all over the world. Therefore, learn about different cultures and grow as an individual and as a professional. I am looking forward to meeting and getting to know all of you. Any questions or help, please do not hesitate to contact me . Have an amazing first year, have fun , work hard and relax



Hi my name is Berenice Garcia.

Berenice Garcia

I am a third-year veterinary student and one of your D&I GUVMA officers. I hope to be someone that people can come to with their concerns and to be heard. I look forward to meeting the incoming students and working with the current student body.

Clubs and Societies

Glasgow Veterinary Neurology Club

Want to learn more about epilepsy and emergency treatment of seizures? Interested in exploring neurosurgery as a specialty career? Ever heard of neurodegenerative disease in cows? Come join the Veterinary Neurology Club to explore these topics and more! The neurology club is one of the newest organizations on campus and we cannot wait to have you join us! We help students explore neurology as a career field, gain hands on clinical experience, and improve our studies. Neurology is a large and exciting field that is constantly growing. Through this club we hope to provide the opportunity to explore the clinical, behavioral and research sides of neurology in a fun environment. Some of the opportunities this club provides include dissection labs, hands on practice with neurological exams and microscopy, research talks, case reviews with surgeons, trivia nights, revision sessions, and more! We also provide access to shifts with the neurology department at the small animal hospital during your clinical years.

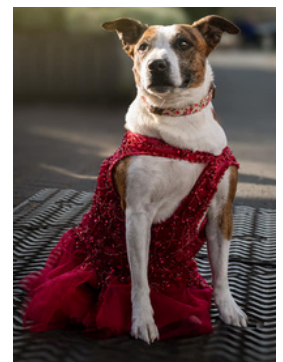
Contact the Club President here: 2598515m@student.gla.ac.uk
[Glasgow Veterinary Neurology Club Facebook](#)



Glasgow Veterinary LGBT Club

Hello all and welcome to the Glasgow Veterinary LGBT+ Club! We are a student-run social club that aims to bring together vet students, regardless of gender or sexuality! As a social club, we aim to bring members of the club along with partners, allies, and friends of the community together for exciting activities! In the past we have done axe throwing, nights out at the local gay bars, Christmas Market outings, tie dye, and have even more plans for the coming year! Membership for our club is FREE so come check out our table at Fresher's Fayre and come join your squirrel friends!

[Glasgow Vets LGBT+ Club Facebook page](#)
Contact us here: Glasgowvetlgbtclub@gmail.com



Clubs and Societies

Pathology Club

The Glasgow Veterinary School's student-run pathology club is for all students interested in anatomic and/or clinical pathology! We host talks, wet-labs, practicals, and other learning and social events. Interested in disease and pestilence? Always wondered how you diagnose diabetes? Did you just itch to open the neighbor's dog that died suddenly to find out why? This is the place for you!

Come meet us at Fresher's Fayre and join our Facebook page "Glasgow Vet Pathology Club" for upcoming events. Membership is only £2 per year!

Contact us here: glasgowvetpathologyclub@gmail.com
[Pathology Club Facebook Group](#)



Student Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society

The Student Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society (SVECCS) at the University of Glasgow is an Up and Coming Society! We have big plans to help students delve into the world of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care!

For only **£5 per year** we offer a value much more by joining!

- Discounted CPR Recover Training both in Basic and Advanced Life Support **Members Only**
- Talks from Emergency and Critical Care Clinicians Worldwide
- Wetlabs surrounding Emergency Procedures including chest tubes and IV Catheters **Members Only**
- Out of Hours Shifts at the Small Animal Hospital Dedicated to solely **SVECCS members and counts for EMS- Clinical Year Students**

Join our Facebook Page for more information! [SVECCS at the University of Glasgow](#)

Contact us here: sveccs.glasgow@gmail.com or 2797559H@student.gla.ac.uk

Welcome to Glasgow!
SVECCS Committee



Clubs and Societies

Veterinary Glasgow Evidence-based Medicine Society

The Veterinary Evidence-Based Medicine Society (or VetGEMS for short) is a club that puts research into the spotlight! We encourage students to engage with veterinary literature, and we host events to teach students how to interpret and apply research in order to practice evidence-based medicine. This club is ideal for anyone who values evidence-based medicine in a clinical setting, as well as those considering a career in research. Academic skills are incredibly useful for veterinary students and veterinary professionals alike. Whether it is a student writing case discussion, a farm vet deciding if a new drug is worth the money, or a hospital intern running a clinical trial, we will all use research in our careers. VetGEMS teaches students how to meaningfully engage with research so that practicing evidence-based medicine can be like a second nature!



Our events:

- INSPIRE research forum where students present research projects they have done during their degree
- Monthly student-led journal clubs where we discuss cutting-edge veterinary research
- Clinician journal clubs where you can discuss veterinary research with clinicians, interns, and residents
- Academic seminars

We are looking to recruit a first year BVMS representative, so keep an eye out for us at Freshers Fayre!

Check out our [Website](#)

Contact us here: vetgems@gmail.com

Take a look at our [Facebook](#) and [Insta](#)



GV Fit

Glasgow Vets Fitness Are you interested in a more fitness focused social club? Have you ever wanted to lift weights safely but don't know where to start? Do you want a space to have a quick workout between lectures? Or go out on some hikes in the fresh air? Then GVFit is here for you! We are an all-inclusive club open to everyone who enjoys any kind of fitness! Our aim is to provide a fitness community and safe space for members and help provide more variety to our vet school lives, from yoga & hikes to working out in our own gym! Our club offers full access to our small gym located upstairs in the MSB building next to the lockers. We offer peer coaching sessions if needed, a variety of social events, monthly challenges, and t-shirt design competitions! We love to organise hikes, Hiit sessions in the park and annual social events! In the past our annual events have been outdoor assault courses and Paintball.

If this sounds like something that would interest you, or if you want to know more on how to get involved with the club then feel free to get in contact with us.

[Love & Fitness GVFIT Team Facebook Page](#)

[Instagram Page](#)

Email – Guvmaweightlift@gmail.com



Clubs and Societies

Women's Veterinary Leadership Development Initiative (WVLDI)

WVLDI's mission is to be a strong and impactful voice to inspire and empower veterinary leaders by supporting women and allies seeking leadership positions, providing professional development and educational content, and engaging in meaningful discussion. WVLDI Glasgow hosts a multitude of events, including webinars, resumé writing workshops, social events, etc. There are currently no dues to join WVLDI, so feel free to contact us if you are interested in joining!

Contact us here: wvldiglasgow@gmail.com or take a look at our [Website](#)
Check out our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)



Women's Veterinary
Leadership Development Initiative

GECHO - Glasgow Ecological and Conservation Health Organization

GECHO is a laid back club for students who have an interest in getting out and about in Nature, and learning how to nurture native flora and especially fauna! We run the campus garden boxes and beehives, host speakers, and love to collaborate with other like minded clubs on campus for events. Our focus as a club is on biodiversity, ecology, and conservation as it relates to the whole ecosystem - including aspects of environmental health and human well-being. We hope you'll join and help us (and our plants!) grow!



Contact us here: gechorg@gmail.com
Take a look at our [Facebook](#)

Glasgow Veterinary Behaviour Society (GUVBS)

GUVBS is for students interested in learning more about behavioural medicine. We offer case studies and educational talks with behaviour professionals, as well as social events such as pet enrichment toy making, group walks and dog training meetups. Having an understanding of normal and abnormal behaviour is beneficial for reducing stress and staff injuries in clinics, detecting chronic pain, providing behavioural first aid, and much more. Anyone who is interested in animal behaviour can join, email us to become a member!

Contact us here: guvetbehaviour@gmail.com
Take a look at our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)



Clubs and Societies

Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association

The mission of the University of Glasgow Student Chapter of the HSVMA (Shelter Medicine) is to advocate for the humane treatment of all animals through educational presentations, community service programs, and other activities. We host talks, suturing labs, and more! Check out the shelter medicine club and see what it can offer you!

Contact us here: hsvma.glasgow@gmail.com
Take a look at our [Facebook](#)



Glasgow University Veterinary Zoological Society

Student voted GUVMA Society of the year 2022-23

The Society for "All Creatures Great, Small, Slimy, and Tall" – James Herriot.

The Glasgow University Veterinary Zoological Society is a student run organisation founded in the early '90s by Brendan Godley that aims to inform veterinary students on the wonders of Zoological, Wildlife, Exotic and Conservation medicine. We fill in the gaps left by the current undergraduate course which are getting bigger as years go by.

We provide learning opportunities to members by organising lectures and practicals on a wide variety of topics including: conservation medicine in South Africa; orangutan rescue, rehabilitation, and treatment; a Marine Mammal Medic Course and postmortem demonstrations; and UK wildlife case description and investigation workshops. That's just the tip of the iceberg as we hold online and in person events throughout the year to hear from exotic animal veterinarians and professionals from around the world to learn more about this fascinating area of veterinary medicine. Joining GUVZS is a great way to learn more about EMS/externship opportunities and meet students with similar interests as we provide real life applications to lectures. What better way is there to learn about bird of prey husbandry than having a falconer bring some of his birds into the school and fly them around!!

We also provide a forum where information can be shared between students so you can make friends and connections that will last a lifetime. Furthermore, we pride ourselves on being a charitable society that raises money and awareness throughout the year for as many conservation and animal welfare charities as we can.

Anyone is welcome to join, if you have even the slightest interest in exotics, zoological medicine, wildlife, conservation, epidemiology of emerging diseases, wildlife rehabilitation, marine animal medicine, and everything in between.

Join our community of over 600 people past and present here: [GUVZS Facebook page](#), come to some talks, share your stories, tell your friends and become a member of GUVZS for only £6 which can be paid online here: [SRC Website](#) OR at the GUVMA Freshers Fayre!!

Contact us here: GUVZS.glasgow@gmail.com



AND SO MUCH MORE ...

**Make sure to attend your Fresher's
Fayre this fall to see what other
opportunities there are to be
involved at the vet school!**

Charities and Non Profits

GUVMA Shop

We are your one-stop shop for new and used PPE, textbooks, surgical materials, school supplies, and more! The GUVMA Shop is stocked year-round, and you never know what you might find. We always keep a supply of scrubs, waterproofs, and boiler suits. These items can be seen on the GUVMA website [here](#). We also have a ton of free items including binders, OSCE practice supplies, homegoods, and books.

Speaking of books, all items we stock are guaranteed to be cheaper than you would find online. We are entirely student-run by volunteers from the vet school. All profits made go back into funding student events and making improvements in the shop!

We recently expanded our stock to include suture material, suture pads, suture pad holders, fob watches, and pen torches. If you have any items you would like to see in the shop, just let us know! We try to be open weekdays at lunch time, but our hours are available on our Facebook page [@guvmashop](#).

We are located in the Mary Student Building just behind the printers and the vending machines. Feel free to pop by for a look, or even volunteer with us!



Charities and Non Profits

Helping the animals and humans of our community!

GUVMA Rodeo

The GUVMA Rodeo is an annual family event run entirely by a committee of vet students. It attracts between 3000-5000 visitors annually, mostly from the Glasgow area! Many of the visitors bring along their pets to take part in events which run throughout the day. This is a day of entertainment and education! It allows interaction and communication between veterinary students, faculty, commercial businesses, charities and families from the Glasgow area.

The Rodeo raises much needed funds for charities and promotes public awareness of animal welfare. Some of the attractions at Rodeo include pony rides, a falconry display, farrier demos, dog shows, sleddog demos, and more. Day of, students from every year group are generous enough to donate time to help us set-up equipment, take entrance fees, assist exhibition stalls, and many other jobs to ensure a successful event.



GUVMA ANNUAL RODEO

Throughout the year we'll keep everyone posted on Rodeo's progress and advise on volunteering as we get closer! We also put on fundraising events throughout the year, including our Rodeo hoodie sale in the autumn! If you want to get involved on committee or volunteering on the day, feel free to get in touch!

A note from your Rodeo President Tiana Griessel:

Hello class of 2028, welcome to vet school at the University of Glasgow! I am a second year vet student from Reston, Virginia in the US and in the year that I've been here so far, I have come to see Glasgow as my second home! Last year I served as Rodeo president elect and I loved being involved with the vet school community and all its wonderful people and activities. I was also able to participate in several clubs and volunteer activities on campus, and I recommend trying out a few yourselves; it's a great way to get involved and make new friends! I'm interested in large animal medicine, but haven't decided exactly which direction to go with that yet. The great part is the vet school definitely provides lots of opportunities to explore various interests and options! I look forward to meeting you guys and hope you all have a great year! If you see me in the GUVMA shop or anywhere around campus, feel free to stop me and ask questions or say hi! Best of luck!

The Trusty Paws Clinic

The Trusty Paws Clinic is a student-run clinic for dogs belonging to homeless people in Glasgow. The clinic is run by vet students and provides free vaccinations, flea/worming treatment and microchips to the dogs.



We also give out food, clothing and bedding for the dogs and people. It is also a friendly environment for the people where they can get a warm drink, and a friendly chat. The clinic relies solely on fundraising. We also fundraise for any dogs with major health problems so that they can be treated and be more comfortable on the streets. To many of these people their dogs provide company, love and friendship and are very special to their owners.

Check out our [Facebook](#) or look at our [Website](#)

Welcome to Glasgow!

We can't wait to meet you

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