**UConn Update**

**CAAE Meeting**

**Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

**UCONN College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources (CAHNR) Academic Programs Office changes:**

* Patricia Jepson is retiring effective October 1. A reception in her honor is planned at UCONN Alumni House, 3-5 pm, September 28. Details will follow by email. All invited.
* Sandy Bushmich is now serving as CAHNR Associate Dean for Academic Programs. Cameron Faustman is now serving as CAHNR Interim Dean.
* Vickie Reiser will continue to be your logistics point of contact for CDE documents and scheduling.
* Meagan Ridder will be your point of contact for Ag Education program related questions.

**AgEd Teacher Preparation:**

* Thank you, everyone, for your continued support of UConn’s teacher preparation program.
* Current AgEd student teachers and their cooperating are listed below. I know many others also provide guidance, resources, and encouragement.

**Kathleen Gorman**, Southington High School: cooperating teacher Marion Stannard

**Mikayla Hood**, Wamogo High School: cooperating teacher Casey Dunn

**Jennifer Couture**, Suffield High School: cooperating teacher Laura Laflamme

* Information sessions for future applicants to the Teacher Certification Program for College Graduates (TCPCG) have started. Applications are due December 1, 2017 for the 2018-2019 program. For more information see

<http://teachered.education.uconn.edu/tcpcg-future-students-information-sessions/>.

**CDEs:**

* Registration deadline for November CDEs is September 22, 2017.
* Superintendents: Planning forms are due Friday, October 6th.
* Please contact Vickie Reiser victoria.reiser@uconn.edu if you need to review last year’s forms.
* Proposed dates for future CDE’s are on reverse page.
* Please note important regulations regarding protection of minors on CDE summary chart.

**Enrollment/Admissions**:

The College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources had similar enrollment to last year; total enrollment for fall 2017 is 259 baccalaureate and 23 associate of applied science (Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture) students. The application and admission cycle for next year has started.

* We have a new freshman entry program in Exercise Science (human).
* Plant Science and Landscape Architecture has a new curriculum emphasizing sustainable plant systems.
* We are exploring certificate programs in specialty areas of animal and plant science for RHSA and CAHNR students.
* Fall Open Houses for interested students and their families are Sunday, October 1st and Sunday, October 29th. The Open House website is <http://admissions.uconn.edu/open-house>
* The application deadline for freshmen is January 15, 2018. Some competitive programs and scholarships have a December 1, 2017 deadline.
* For more information, visit the UConn Admissions website. <http://admissions.uconn.edu/>

**FFA Convention:**

Unfortunately, UConn will not be at the National FFA Convention this year due to conflicts with other events and programs on campus and our temporarily short staffed situation. We wish the best to everyone attending.

**Career Night:**

Career Night is Wednesday, November 1st. We will again be holding a welcome and information session for high school students, teachers, and families. We will provide information and answer questions about the application and admission process, courses and majors, and career preparation before visitors meet with employers and career representatives (<http://grow.uconn.edu/career-night/>).

**Ambassador Visits:**

Our College (student) Ambassadors are available to visit schools and discuss our programs and majors, and UCONN in general. Please contact Jillian Ives jillian.ives@uconn.edu if you are interested in scheduling a presentation.

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| **High School AgScience and FFA Career Development Events (CDEs)****Proposed Dates at the University of Connecticut** **2017-2022**(Confirm November dates are after National FFA) |
| **Academic** **Year** | **November** | **May** |
| **2017-2018****Confirmed** | 11/3/17 | 5/11/18 |
| **2018-2019** | 11/2/18 | 5/17/19 |
| **2019-2020** | 11/1/19 | 5/15/20 |
| **2020-2021** | 11/6/20 | 5/14/21 |
| **2021-2022** | 11/5/21 | 5/13/22 |
| **2022-2023** | 11/4/22 | 5/12/23 |
| **Events** |
|  | FloricultureHorse EvaluationLivestock EvaluationMeats Evaluation/TechnologyNursery & LandscapePoultry Evaluation Milk Quality & Products | Farm Business ManagementDairy Cattle Evaluation & ManagementDairy Handlers Activity (Showmanship)Food Science & TechnologyEnvironmental & Natural Resources Agricultural CommunicationsVeterinary Science |

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