1. **HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE:** Dr. Marie-Soleil Dubois will be joining the Clinical Studies team as a 3-year contractually limited Large Animal Emergency Medicine and Surgery Assistant Professor starting **October 10, 2017.** She will be located on the 2nd floor in 2166 ANCC building 49.

2. **WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS**
   - Dr Orlaith Cleary is working in Large Animal Surgery until October 1, 2017.
   - Shahed Jaber will be working with the Shared Administrative Staff (SAS) during the F17 semester. She can be contacted through Linda Wing, Darlene Findlay or Sharita Carter.

3. **DEPARTMENT FACULTY MEETING** Our next Departmental Faculty Meeting will be held September 22, 2107 at 8:30 – 9:30 am in 2106 ANCC Bldg 49, CS Lounge. Confirm your attendance by accepting your calendar invite.

4. **SEARCH COMMITTEES UPDATES - Ongoing Searches**
   - Small Animal Internal Medicine **2 yr CL Assistant Professor** – in progress
   - Small Animal Surgery **3 yr CL Assistant Professor** – open for applications
   - Diagnostic Imaging **Tenure Track Assistant or Associate Professor** – in process
   - Ophthalmology **Assistant/Associate Professor** – Dr Marina Leis will be interviewing on October 25 & 26, 2017. Itinerary to follow
   - Radiation Oncology **Assistant Professor** – open for applications

5. **ROOM BOOKINGS FOR F17 COURSES** are now confirmed. Any room changes made between now and September 15, 2017 will be for enrolment purposes only and will be communicated to the departments. Any desired/preferred room changes can be sent after September 15, 2017. Should you have any questions or concerns please contact your Administrative Assistant (Linda Wing) to update the Scheduling Office.

6. **ANNUAL FIRE DRILLS** The Annual Fire Drills will begin on Monday, September 18, 2017 and will continue throughout the month and into the beginning of October (if needed). **Full details** are included in the link.
7. **Vendor Contract Updates** A shared folder on OneDrive has been set up for vendor contract information. This folder will be updated as information becomes available. Contact Linda Wing if you wish to added to the shared contact list.

8. **TA POSITIONS IN THE CLINICAL STUDIES INVIGILATOR POOL** OVC TA Positions for Invigilating Midterms and Exams during the F17 semester is now open until September 29, 2017. Graduate students interested in invigilating during this semester MUST APPLY THROUGH THE FOLLOWING LINK prior to September 19, 2017. Application for Invigilation Positions for F17. Graduate students wishing to invigilate in other departments must apply through the links for the other departments as well. Please apply only ONCE for each department posting.

9. **UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR UPDATES for 2018-2019** are due in early November. Faculty are encouraged to review the current Undergraduate Calendar pages for errors or omissions. Forward change requests for the new calendar to Linda Wing by November 1, 2017. Veterinary Medicine Course Descriptions and Administration and Faculty – Clinical Studies

10. **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES INFORMATION** Attached is a letter regarding accommodation for students with disabilities that provides helpful information for faculty. Any questions can be directed to Barry Praamsma-Townshend at x 54114 or barry.pt@uoguelph.ca.

**GRADUATE PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

11. **Changes to Grand Rounds!** Grand Rounds has been moved to Rm 1714 LLC this year.

**UPCOMING EVENTS & SEMINARS**

12. **UNITED WAY KICKOFF** on September 18, 2017 We would like to invite everyone to attend the kickoff barbecue for the 2017 United Way Campaign. Please join us in Branion Plaza on Monday September 18th at lunch for hotdogs, cotton candy, apples and more. Take a ride in the City of Guelph’s aerial fire truck and see the campus from a new vantage point ($10). Help to make our community a better place by supporting the United Way.

13. **The Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare** presentation “The Genetic Revolution” will be presented by Teun van de Braak, Geneticist, Hendrix Genetics, on September 21, 2017 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm [poster](#)

14. **OVC Career Day** on September 22, 2017 in PATHO room 1800

**Attention: All OVC Graduate Students!** Registration for OVC Career Day is now open. Please register before September 12, 2017 at midnight to reserve your spot. Spaces are limited! We will be unable to complete registrations on the day of the event so don’t wait!
Email ovccareerday@gmail.com to RSVP and let us know your dietary restrictions. The event will also include breakfast, lunch and a coffee break free of charge. **It is definitely worth your time to attend!**

The day will comprise of speakers stemming from various disciplines and fields as well as professional development sessions with Dr Nana Lee. These sessions will include CV writing as well as mock interviews for both academia and industry.

Speakers include:
- Neda Barjesteh, PhD (Post Doc Researcher at McMaster University)
- Lauri Wagter-Lesperance, PhD (Post Doc Researcher at University of Guelph)
- Shiona Kaastra, PhD (Senior Epidemiologist, PHAC)
- Nina Kahlon, MSc (Embryologist at Mount Sinai Fertility)
- Robert Kozak, PhD (Clinical Microbiologist, University of Toronto)

15. **Wellness@Work**

This year, the University’s Wellness@Work committee has entered a U of G team in the Guelph Family Health Team’s FHT to MOVE Hustle for the Harvest two-week activity challenge. I hope you’ll join us.

From September 22 to October 6, 2017, participants from all U of G locations can use the FHT to MOVE online portal to track their daily activity minutes. Any type of activity counts, whether you prefer to rollerblade, practice yoga, garden, or play tennis. The activity challenge helps promote a healthy lifestyle – the major goal of our Wellness@Work committee.

This team-based challenge allows you to see your individual results. Share your results publicly or use them as an anonymous personal motivator, while helping our U of G team challenge other organizations. The U of G Wellness@Work team is encouraging everyone to be active for a total of 150 minutes each week – the amount of time recommended by the Canadian Physical Activity Guidelines. Visit [www.uoguelph.ca/wellnessatwork/fht-move-activity-challenge](http://www.uoguelph.ca/wellnessatwork/fht-move-activity-challenge) for more about this fun and fit challenge and to learn how to register.