Things that make you go HMMM!

• As you are checking in, the following slides are thoughts to make you smile.
Things that make you go HMMM! 2

• Why is there a light in the refrigerator and not one in the freezer?
Things that make you go HMMM! 3

• Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog’s face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him on a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
Things that make you go HMMM! 4

• Have you ever noticed that the people who are late are often much happier than the people who have been waiting on them?
Veterinarian’s sign

• Sign in a Veterinarian’s waiting room:

• “Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!”
Did you know?

• When you walk down a steep hill, the pressure on your knees is equal to 3 times your body weight.
Did you know? 2

• The U.S. Government will not allow portraits of living persons to appear on stamps.
Did you know? 3

Name this country:
Largest military, strongest education system, highest standard of living

• ENGLAND in 1900!
Did you know? 4

• Most people who read the word “yawning” will yawn.
Did you know? 5

• Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning!
Did you know? 6

• Coca Cola was originally GREEN!
Did you know? 7

• When you sneeze, all bodily functions stop, even your heart.
Did you know? 8

• The number of text messages sent and received every day exceeds the population of planet Earth
Did you know? 9

It is nearly impossible…….. 

To lick your elbow!

At least 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow.
Did you know? 10

• Did you know….the cost of raising a medium size dog to the age of eleven:

$8,000
Did you know? 11

• Most of us have eaten at least one spider in our sleep.
Did you know? 12

• More than 3,000 books are published every DAY.
Question:

What is the only food that doesn’t spoil?

HONEY
Did you know? 13

Did you know there are about 540,000 words in the English language.

This is about 5 times as many as during Shakespeare’s time
Did you know? 14

• Did you know that Dalmatians are born without spots?
Did you know? 15

• Did you know that the only 2 animals that can see behind themselves without turning their heads are the rabbit and the parrot.
Did you know? 16

• Did you know….bats always turn left when exiting a cave?
Did you know? 17

• When hippos are upset, their sweat turns red!
Did you know? 18

• It takes about 20 seconds for a red blood cell to circle the whole body.
Did you know? 19

• Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, never called his wife or mother because they were both deaf.
WELCOME to BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES, Class of 2021!
Advising Staff

Dr. Elizabeth Crouch, Asst. Dean

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Mrs. Meredith Permenter, Senior Academic Advisor II

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Ms. Kaitlyn Hennessy, Academic Advisor II

Ms. Tammie Smith, Academic Advisor II

Mrs. Taharaa Hill, Administrative Assistant

• Staff are shown in Alphabetical Order:
Advising Appointments

• Please set up an appointment ahead of time using our online appointment scheduler:
  https://apps.cvm.tamu.edu/bimsappointments/
Advising Office hours

• We are open 8-12 and 1-5 Monday through Friday year-round
  • *We are closed on university holidays

• We are currently located in VIDI 123 in the Veterinary Biomedical Education Complex (VBEC).
Discussion Items during this meeting

• 1) Administrative Forms
• 2) Degree Plan
• 3) Registration Procedures
• 4) New Student Handbook
Administrative Forms

• Student Information Card (Buff Card)
  • Must be complete prior to leaving this morning

• PHOTO: Please bring a photo or mail one in by the first day of class to:
  • Texas Veterinary Medical Center
  • Biomedical Sciences Program
  • Room 123 VIDI; 4465 TAMU
  • College Station, TX 77843-4465
Administrative Forms Continued

• Certificate of Dependency Form
• Advising Syllabus
  • What can you expect from your Advisor?
  • What does your advisor expect from you?
  • How do I schedule or cancel an appointment?
  • What are my advising, educational and curricular goals and expected outcomes?
• TIMELINE STARTS TODAY
Registration

We will register you today at 2:00pm.

- Complete LSA
- Clear all registration blocks

We will be available for questions beginning at 3:30pm in the BIMS office, room 123 VIDI.
PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR LUNCH

• Turn in your completed buff card
• Turn in your photo (if you have one)
• Turn in your Certificate of Dependency (if you wish to do so)
• Turn in your Signed Academic Advising Syllabus
• Turn in your schedule half sheet
New Student Handbook

Contains:

• “Good-to-know” information
• BIMS Policies
• Initial Study Skills Guide
• Phone Numbers
• Academic Calendar
University Policies and Procedures

Pages 2 and 3 cover:

- The University Core curriculum,
- BIMS Common Body of Knowledge courses,
- Transfer credits and
- Credit by Exam.
Scholastic Probation and Suspension-end of Fall semester

• U1 and U2 (54 or less hours) below a 2.00 GPA receive a warning letter
• U2 (55 or more hours) U3 and U4 below a 2.5 GPA receive a warning letter
• If you have below a 1.00 GPA, you are blocked from continuing in the BIMS major. This is checked every semester and is immediately effective.
Scholastic Probation and Suspension after Spring Semester

- U1 and U2 (54 or less hours) below a 2.00 GPR will go on probation and must attend summer school at TAMU to raise their overall TAMU GPA
- U2 (55 or more hours), U3 and U4 below a 2.5 GPA will go on probation and must attend summer school at TAMU to raise their overall TAMU GPA
- If you have below a 1.00 GPA, you may no longer continue as a BIMS major, **effectively immediately**
Scholastic Probation and Suspension: NOTICE

• The university calculates academic deficiency as a combination of GPR and grade point deficiencies. [http://student-rules.tamu.edu/rule12](http://student-rules.tamu.edu/rule12) Any decision regarding university level dismissal for academic deficiency supersedes BIMS decisions (i.e. all of the previous) and is made at the end of each semester.
BIMS Listserv
(handbook page 4)

Listserv@listserv.tamu.edu

Parents have option to enroll. To do so, go to the email address above, in the body type: “Subscribe bims-didyouknow First name Last name”

Students will receive notification through their @tamu.edu email as “bulkmail”.

vetmed.tamu.edu/bims
Important Due Dates and Deadlines (page 5 and 6)

- Full time status
- Q-drop Policy
- Withdrawal
- First day of class
- Thanksgiving break
- Holidays
- Finals schedule
Optional Programs

- Supplemental Instruction
- Academic Success Center/Study Hub
- Distinguished Students/Dean’s List
- Spanish Certification
- Study Abroad
- Minors
University Statement on Harassment and Discrimination

• For more information, visit:
  • http://urc.tamu.edu/by-who-you-are/
Title IX at TAMU

• [http://urc.tamu.edu/title-ix/](http://urc.tamu.edu/title-ix/)

• Texas A&M University is:
  • Committed to providing an environment of academic study and employment free from harassment or discrimination to all segments of its community; its faculty, staff, students, guests and vendors; and
  • Will promptly address all complaints of discrimination, sexual harassment, and related retaliation in accordance with applicable federal and state laws.
• “An Aggie does not lie, cheat, steal or tolerate those who do”

• [http://aggiehonor.tamu.edu/](http://aggiehonor.tamu.edu/)
See your academic advisor if...

- Your GPA falls below a 2.50
- You need help with a university excused absence (documentation will be required)
- You need to Q-drop a class (allowed 4 at TAMU and if you are making a “C” or better, BIMS requires you to keep the course)
- You need to withdraw (documentation may be required)
- You receive a probation warning letter
- You are blocked from registration as a “closet major” (Student Rule 1.5)
  - BIMS students are required to take two science courses, or a science and a math course, from the BIMS major, every semester.
First Semester Curriculum

• CHEMISTRY
• BIOLOGY or MATH
• CORE CURRICULUM and/or BIMS Elective
• BIMS 101 or 110 or VIBS 243
• Corps courses

• ** Clusters students, reinforces study groups and meeting students in your major
MATH PLACEMENT EXAM prior to March 15, 2017

• If you scored a 15 or higher on the MPE, then you are eligible to take Math 140, 141/166, or 142/131.

• Do you have AP credit?
  • No: Did you take calculus in high school?
    • Yes: Take Math 131, 142
    • No: Take 140, 141, 166, 142 or 131
  • Yes: Is the AP credit AB or BC?
    • AB Yes: Take 141/166
    • BC Yes: Take BIMS elective or Biology
Math Placement less than 15

** Take the lower of the scores if you have one in each level: 1-10, 11-14 and 15 or higher.

- If your Math placement exam FM + HT and/or AC + HT are less than 10: Take Math 140.
- If your Math placement exam FM +HT and/or AC + HT are between 11 and 14:
  - Did you have calculus in high school?
    - No: Take math 140
    - Yes I took calculus in High school: AP credit?
      - Yes: AB: Take math 141, BC take Biology or a BIMS elective;
      - No Take math 140, 141/166
Math Placement after March, 2017

• If you scored 18 or higher on the Math 141/166 portion of the exam, you may take Math 141/166.
• If you scored less than 18 on the Math 141/166 portion of the exam, you may take Math 140.
• If you scored 18 or higher on the Math 131/142 portion of the exam, you may take Math 131/142 or we may put you in Math 141.

Your academic advisor will ask you about AP exams and dual credit to ascertain, based on your score and the matrix above, which math credit you will be taking.
Resources

• Career Center
• Academic Success Center
• Student Counseling Services
• Office of Professional School Advising
BSA: Biomedical Sciences Association

• The Biomedical Sciences Association (BSA) is a student organization at Texas A&M University that provides various opportunities to discover and explore diverse career paths in medical and veterinary related fields. The BSA officers have prepared an outstanding year for members including meetings, guest speakers, field trips, community service opportunities, and numerous social events.

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