

Rahmat Al-Amin

Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University

Rahmat Al-Amin, from Chittagong, Bangladesh, is a second-year student at Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Bangladesh. Following graduation, Rahmat plans to pursue a career as a large animal veterinarian. In the future, he would like to establish a research lab and training center focused on genetic improvement of domestic animals, addressing regional diseases, and training people to farm and manage farms. Rahmat has been involved in free vaccination and educational programs, as well as artificial insemination of dairy cattle and improving hygiene practices in rural farming areas.

Laurence Arpin

University of Montreal

Laurence Arpin, from Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, is a student in the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Montreal. Laurence holds a DEC (college-level diploma) in Health Sciences from Rosemont College in Montreal and is the recipient of several scholarships for academic excellence. Following graduation, Laurence plans to pursue a career as a large animal practitioner, provide veterinary services in rural areas and develop his surgical skills to be able to perform non-routine surgeries in the field. Laurence has a broad range of experience, including serving as a technical assistant on the colic team at the university's equine hospital, providing medical care for hospitalized foals and undertaking several externships in bovine and equine medicine.

Kaitlyn Briggs

Cornell University

Kaitlyn Briggs, from Sherburne, N.Y., is a second-year student at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine. Kaitlyn holds a Bachelor of Science in Biological Science and Animal Science from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at Cornell University. Following graduation in May 2017, Kaitlyn would like to work in a clinical dairy practice and is considering a doctorate in calf health/management in her future. Kaitlyn currently works as a member of the Nydam Calf Research team, which is part of Cornell's Veterinary School, and as a veterinary assistant at a local pet hospital.

Daniel Carreño

North Carolina State University

Daniel Carreño, from Goldsboro, N.C., is a second-year student at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Daniel holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from East Carolina University. Following graduation in May 2017, Daniel plans to pursue a career with a swine production company. In the future, he will earn a Master of Public Health and become board certified by the America College of Preventative Health. During his undergraduate studies, Daniel worked as a pathology lab technician at Butterball; participating in research projects, necropsies and diagnostic testing, as well as helping with the translation and presentation of animal welfare programs in Spanish. This past summer, Daniel had the opportunity to design, plan and implement swine field trials.

Serena Counce

University of Saskatchewan

Serena Counce, from Langley, British Columbia, is a third-year student at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan (US), as well as a Master of Science candidate with a major emphasis in reproductive medicine in Veterinary Biomedical Sciences at the US. Serena holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Simon Fraser University and a Bachelor of Science in Zoology from Calgary University. Following graduation in June 2016, Serena plans to apply for a residency in mixed animal theriogenology with the hope of using these skills in research and the conservation of threatened species. Serena has significant experience working in various facets of zoo facilities, as well as conducting and presenting research.

Tereza Chylkova**University of California, Davis**

Tereza Chylkova, from Davis, Calif., is a second-year student in the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California, Davis. She also holds a bachelor of science in Biology, major emphasis in organismal biology with a minor in chemistry, from the University of Arizona. Following graduation in June 2017, she will pursue a career focused on the medical care of small and exotic animal species and research of their emerging infectious diseases. Tereza is interested in expanding her involvement in One Health, as well as making a difference in her community through education and advocating for preventative pet healthcare. Tereza was awarded a large grant by the AVMF to make a difference in the lives of people and animals in California. As an AVMF "Our Oath in Action" Project Director, she organized and implemented a successful community outreach event that offered free veterinary exams and consultations, core vaccinations, client education and pet adoptions, as well as creating a greater awareness of pet overpopulation and responsible pet ownership.

Brillarch Amante Dayag II**University of Philippines Los Baños**

Brillarch Amante Dayag II, from Rizal/Roxas/Isabela, Philippines, is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Philippines Los Baños. Following graduation in May 2016, Brillarch plans to pursue a master's degree at the University of Edinburgh in the UK.

Jona del Mundo**University of Philippines Los Baños**

Jona del Mundo, from Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro, is a third-year veterinary student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Philippines Los Baños. Following graduation in June 2017, Jona plans to pursue a master's degree in diagnostic or clinical pathology, explore a career in academia, and work in underserved areas by providing pro bono veterinary services for companion animals. She has held a number of apprenticeships through the University of Philippines Lady Veterinary Students' Association, of which she is currently the vice president. Jona also has volunteered with the Department of Veterinary Clinical Services, where she has performed examinations, conducted anesthesia induction and monitored patients.

Stephanie Delorme**University of Guelph**

Stephanie Delorme, from Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, is a second-year student of the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program at the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph (UG). She holds a Bachelor and Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences from UG. Following graduation in April 2017, Stephanie will pursue her goal of becoming a board-certified histopathologist. Stephanie has worked as a veterinary assistant in a private practice, veterinary histology teaching assistant and laboratory assistant at UG, and a histotechnologist at Nucro-Technics.

Kelly Flynn, Ph.D.**University of Wisconsin**

Kelly Flynn, Ph.D., from East Greenbush, N.Y., is a second-year student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine. Kelly holds a bachelor of science in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from The State University of New York (SUNY) Albany, as well as a doctorate in Cell Biology from Yale University. Following graduation in June 2017, Kelly will pursue a career in clinical medicine and translational research, which will allow her to engage in investigational discovery to produce real and significant impacts in veterinary medicine. In addition, she would like to provide quality low-/no-cost veterinary care for those who cannot afford it, as the human-animal bond is powerful and deserves preservation and support.

Kelly Hurley**The University of Florida**

Kelly Hurley, from Lititz, Penn., is a second-year student at The University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine, and is concurrently pursuing a Master of Public Health at The University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions. She holds a bachelor of science in Agriculture – Veterinary and BioMedical Sciences with Honors from The Pennsylvania State University and the Schreyer Honors College. Following graduation in May 2017, Kelly would like to become a public health veterinarian in South Africa. Kelly has worked in a private veterinary practice and is currently a veterinary technician at The University of Florida Small Animal Hospital.

Samantha Huston**The Ohio State University**

Samantha Huston, from Aurora, Ohio, is a second-year student at The Ohio State University (TOSU) College of Veterinary Medicine. She holds a bachelor of science in Biological Science from TOSU. Following graduation in May 2017, Samantha will pursue a career as a companion animal veterinarian, potentially specializing in internal medicine or dermatology. Samantha has worked as a veterinary assistant in private practice and is currently a peer tutor at The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine.

Ariful Islam**Bangladesh Agricultural University**

Ariful Islam, from Natore, Bangladesh, is a second-year student at the Faculty of Veterinary Science under Bangladesh Agricultural University, Veterinary Science. Following graduation in December 2017, Ariful would like to pursue a career as a veterinary surgeon, as well as volunteer in free vaccination programs. In addition, Ariful is interested in zoonotic disease research and animal welfare/rights, and participating in dairy and poultry farm visits and data collection, a program of the Department of Parasitology (BAU).

Rachael Ramsey Kearns**North Carolina State University**

Rachael Ramsey Kearns, from Appomattox, Va., is a second-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at North Carolina State University (NCSU). Rachael holds Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences and one in Psychology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, as well as a master's degree in Behavioral Neuroendocrinology at the University of Colorado. Following graduation in June 2017, Rachael has several different paths she'd like to pursue – externship in New Zealand, rural food animal private practice and researcher at a veterinary institution with a mix of clinical services, teaching, research and extension work in food animal veterinary medicine. Rachael has worked as a livestock apprentice/research assistant and teaching animal unit student employee. She current works as a research assistant at the Mastitis and Milk Quality Laboratory, NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine.

Kamraitip Lokham**Chiang Mai University**

Kamraitip Lokham, of Thailand, is a fifth-year veterinary medicine student at Chiang Mai University in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Following graduation in May 2016, Kamraitip would like to pursue a career in veterinary pathology or companion animal surgery. He has previously worked as an intern in a small and large animal hospital, as well as the school's veterinary pathology department.

Rebecca Lulay**Oregon State University**

Rebecca Lulay, from Sublimity, Oreg., is a second-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Oregon State University. Rebecca holds a bachelor of arts in Political Science – International Studies and European Studies – French from Seattle Pacific University. She also holds a master of arts in European Studies with Merit from The Centre for European Studies, University of Exeter in the UK, as well as a master of arts in sociology from the Institute of Sociology, Jagiellonian University, in Poland. Following graduation in June 2017, Rebecca would like to pursue a career as a mixed-animal veterinarian or in state/federal regulatory medicine. Additionally, she wants to stay involved in her local community, continue to travel around the world on veterinary service trips and possibly work with the state in protecting our agricultural resources. Rebecca has participated in several International Veterinary Students Association Veterinary Service trips and currently works as the food barn manager for the Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association, as well as customer service supervisor at a bank in Portland.

June Marlo M. Matundan**University of Philippines Los Baños**

June Marlo Matundan, from Los Baños, Laguna, Philippines, is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of the Philippines Los Baños. Following graduation in July 2017, June will pursue a career in a companion animal veterinary practice in the Philippines, with future plans to work for a pharmaceutical company to focus on the discovery and development of animal drugs and treatment. June organized the first national zootechniques quiz contest at the university and conducted a vaccination drive in collaboration with the Rotary Club of the Philippines Los Baños Chapter, as well as UP Mu Sigma Phi in Las Piñas.

Ericka Meyers**Colorado State University**

Ericka Meyers, from Tucson, Ariz., is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Colorado State University. Ericka holds a bachelor of science in veterinary science with a minor in chemistry from the University of Arizona and has worked as a certified veterinary technician, treating small and exotic animals, for 15 years. Following graduation in May 2016, Ericka will pursue a career as a small and exotic animal veterinarian in Tucson.

Nicole A. Mikoni**University of California, Davis**

Nicole Mikoni, from Lyons, Colo., is a second-year student at the University of California, Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. Nicole holds a bachelor of science in Biomedical Sciences from Colorado State University. Following graduation in May 2017, Nicole plans to complete both a small animal rotating internship and a zoological medicine internship before pursuing a three-year residency program to become a board-certified zoological medicine veterinarian. Nicole has been actively involved in the industry, including serving as a community liaison for the AVMF "Oath in Action" adoption event, transport crew coordinator for UC Davis Wildlife and Aquatic Animal Medicine Club and a dog trainer for the Canine Enrichment Program at the UC Davis Gourley Clinical Teaching Center. She also has worked as a teaching assistant for the Domestic Animal Anatomy course at CSU and a veterinarian's assistant at the CSU Equine Reproduction Laboratory.

Chandan Nath**Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University**

Chandan Nath, from Chittagong, Bangladesh, is a third-year student at Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Bangladesh. Chandan also holds a higher secondary certificate from Government City College in Chittagong, Bangladesh. Following graduation, he plans to pursue a post-graduate degree in large animal medicine, as well as veterinary public health.

Halcyon Dawn G. Nicolas**University of Philippines Los Baños**

Halcyon Dawn Nicolas, from Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija, Philippines, is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Philippines Los Baños. Following graduation in May 2016, Halcyon plans to pursue a master's degree in Pharmacology, Laboratory Animal Medicine, Large Animal Clinical Science or Food Animal Medicine. Halcyon also would like to work in research, specifically drug development, as well as contribute to the growth of the livestock industry in the Philippines. Halcyon is an active member of the UP Lady Veterinary Students' Association, has completed several apprenticeships and volunteered for the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, and been involved in several rabies vaccination drives. She also is a member of the UP College of Veterinary Medicine Clinicians' Club and the UP Filipiniana Dance Troupe.

Shirley Nigaglioni Roig**St. George's University**

Shirley Nigaglioni Roig, from Ponce, Puerto Rico, is a second-year student in the School of Veterinary Medicine at St. George's University in St. George's, Grenada. Shirley holds a bachelor of science in Animal Science /Pre-Veterinary Medicine from Purdue University, where she also published in the Journal of Purdue Undergraduate Research. Following graduation in June 2017, Shirley would like to pursue a career in a mixed animal practice, specializing in large animals. Shirley has worked as a veterinary intern at an exotic animal sanctuary in Hawaii, as well as a research assistant in the Histopathology and Phenotyping Laboratory at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue University.

Megan Marie Orloski**North Carolina State University**

Megan Marie Orloski, from Galion, Ohio, is a third-year student at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Megan holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Biology from Heidelberg College and a master of arts in Genetics and Genomics from Duke University. Following graduation in May 2016, Megan will work in Veterinary Public Health/Epidemiology Services with USDA APHIS Veterinary Services, where she is currently a Saul T. Wilson, Jr., Scholar. In the future, she hopes to work in a clinical setting with exotic companion animals.

Susanna Perenboom**Washington State University**

Susanna Perenboom, from Camas, Wash., is a third-year student at Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Zoology, as well as Fisheries and Wildlife, from Oregon State University. Following graduation, Susanna plans to enter private practice with the goal of eventually owning her own small animal or feline only practice with a special interest in feline behavior and geriatric care. Susanna has worked as a veterinary assistant and technician during her undergraduate studies and summers in veterinary school.

Md. Tazinur Rahman**Bangladesh Agricultural University**

Md. Tazinur Rahman, from Bogra, Bangladesh, is a final-year student in the Faculty of Veterinary Science under Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), Veterinary Science. Following graduation in December 2015, Tazinur would like to work in animal reproduction research, as well as work with physicians to put a greater emphasis on one world, one health, one medicine. Tazinur has been involved in vaccination programs, as well as assisted in surgeries and handling clinical cases at the BAU Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

Dipto Kumar Roy**Bangladesh Agricultural University**

Dipto Kumar Roy, from Bogra, Bangladesh, is a third-year student in the Faculty of Veterinary Science under Bangladesh Agricultural University, Veterinary Science. Following graduation in December 2016, Dipto would like to pursue a scientific career in animal health and production welfare, as well as conduct research in the field of zoonotic diseases. Dipto has been actively involved in the industry – volunteering in numerous pet vaccination campaigns, working with a local veterinary surgeon and participating in research conducted by the Department of Parasitology.

Md. Nur A Alam Siddique**Bangladesh Agricultural University**

Md. Nur A Alam Siddique, from Lalmonirhat, Bangladesh, is a final-year student in the Faculty of Veterinary Science under Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), Veterinary Science. He holds a higher secondary certificate (HSC) in Science from the Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Dinajpur. Following graduation, Nur is interested in pursuing a career in research, where he can focus on improved therapies and develop new treatments for animals. Nur has been actively involved in the industry – collecting epidemiological data, raising awareness of zoonotic and endemic diseases in his community, and establishing a charitable organization to better educate people about proper veterinary care and the importance of vaccination.

Kristin Maicah V. Soriano**University of Philippines Los Baños**

Kristin Maicah V. Soriano, from Dasmarinas City, Cavite, Philippines, is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Philippines Los Baños. Following graduation, Kristin would like to work in a small animal practice but also is interested in specializing in Veterinary Clinical Pathology. Ultimately, she would like to build a veterinary hospital in the Philippines with state-of-the-art equipment for diagnosis and treatment.

Emily Spulak**Colorado State University**

Emily Spulak, from Bosque Farms, New Mexico, is a second-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Colorado State University (CSU). She holds a Bachelor of Science in Theology from the University of Notre Dame. Following graduation in May 2017, Emily plans to pursue a career in public health – educating people about zoonotic diseases with the goal of reducing human risk when they interact with food animals and wildlife. She also is interested in discovering ways to decrease the risk of transmission of food-borne pathogens and zoonotic diseases to improve human and animal health. Emily has worked as a veterinary technician, participated in a summer research fellowship at Stanford University and serves as a peer tutor for first-year veterinary students at CSU.

Sakhawat Hossain Tareq
Bangladesh Agricultural University

Sakhawat Hossain Tareq, from Sherpur, Bangladesh, is a third-year student at the Faculty of Veterinary Science under Bangladesh Agricultural University, Veterinary Science. Following graduation in December 2016, Sakhawat plans to pursue a career in a companion animal practice, as well as conduct veterinary research. Sakhawat has been actively involved in the industry – volunteering in numerous pet vaccination campaigns, working with a local veterinary surgeon and participating in research conducted by the Department of Parasitology.

Jessica M. Urban
St. George's University

Jessica Urban, from Buchanan, Mich., is a third-year student at St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine. Jessica holds a certificate in veterinary technology from Michigan State University (MSU), as well as a bachelor of science in Zoology with a concentration in Zoo and Aquarium Sciences from MSU. Following graduation, Jessica would like to continue working small animals, wildlife, and local rescues and shelters. In the future, she would like to own her own practice and become board certified in veterinary dentistry. Jessica is currently the president of the International Veterinary Students' Association (IVSA), which recently hosted 10 exchange students to share experiences and insights, network and experience different cultures. This summer, Jessica will volunteer with the U.S. Navy on a humanitarian mission called Continuing Promise, where she will provide veterinary care in Central and South America and the Caribbean.

Rachel Wanty
Colorado State University

Rachel Wanty, from Arvada, Colo., is a third-year student in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Colorado State University (CSU). She holds a Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience Pre-Veterinary and a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages and Cultures: Spanish from Washington State University. Following graduation in May 2016, Rachel plans to pursue a doctorate in epidemiology with the goal of working at an academic institution in a research or teaching position. Rachel has worked as a veterinary technician at an urgent care clinic and as a student investigator with Applied Veterinary Epidemiology at CSU.

Cheryl Yashar
University of California, Davis

Cheryl Yashar, from Los Angeles, Calif., is a second-year student at the University of California, Davis (UCD) School of Veterinary Medicine. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Molecular, Cell and Developmental Biology with a minor in Conservation Biology from UCD. Following graduation in May 2017, Cheryl plans to pursue board certification in avian medicine and subsequently work as an avian veterinarian in a small animal practice, as well as contribute to avian conservation efforts.

Moonkiratul (Moon) Zannat
Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University

Moon Zannat, from Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, is a student at Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (CVASU), Bangladesh. She holds a higher secondary certificate (HSC) from the Nasirabad Women's College. Following graduation, Moon would like to pursue a career as a large animal veterinarian and clinical disease researcher. Moon works at the CVASU Teaching Hospital under the supervision of the Duty Veterinarians.