Undergraduates majoring in Animal Sciences at UW–Madison will find an inclusive, welcoming community where professors know their students and are able to provide guidance based on students’ specific academic and career goals. There are numerous opportunities to conduct research with faculty and to take part in the Wisconsin Idea, whereby faculty and students extend the knowledge developed at the university to stakeholders in Wisconsin and beyond for the betterment of society.

Students majoring in Animal Sciences are involved in a wide variety of opportunities across campus. Students are highly encouraged to complement their coursework with out-of-classroom experiences such as clubs, research, volunteering, internships, and study abroad.

By joining one of the several clubs listed below, majors get to know their fellow students outside the classroom. The following opportunities can help students connect with other students interested in Animal Sciences and other biological science majors, build relationships with faculty and staff, and contribute to out-of-classroom learning.

- Pre Vet Club (https://prevetassociation.weebly.com/)
- Poultry Club (https://www.facebook.com/PoultryClubUWMadison/)
- Badger Meat Science Club (https://win.wisc.edu/organization/badgermeatscienceclub/)
- Saddle and Sirloin Club (https://win.wisc.edu/organization/saddleandsirloin/)
- Hoofer Riding Club (https://www.hooferriding.org)
- Badger Dairy Club (https://win.wisc.edu/organization/badgerdairyclub/)
- Collegiate FFA (http://collegiateffamadison.weebly.com/)
- Association of Women in Agriculture (http://awamadison.org/)
- Meat Lab/Bucky’s Butchery: Interested in meat science? The meat-processing facilities within the department apply many food science principles and provide a unique opportunity for students to get hands-on experience with all aspects of meat production.
- Study Abroad: Animal Sciences majors have the opportunity to participate in experiential study abroad programs, where they can immerse themselves in research or global animal field experiences. Students can review the International Academic Programs website and the CALS study abroad advising page (https://cals.wisc.edu/academics/undergraduate-students/international-programs/study-abroad-advising/) for information on these and other programs, as well as requirements that can typically be fulfilled abroad and things to consider when fitting study abroad into an academic plan.
- Research/Lab Experience: Students are encouraged to get involved in research with Animal Sciences faculty or through other biology-related departments. Research can be performed for either course credit or pay, depending on the opportunity. Research opportunities can be found primarily by contacting faculty members. For more information for undergraduate opportunities, see this link (https://andysci.wisc.edu/students/undergraduate/).

Students are also involved in pre-health organizations, volunteer and shadowing opportunities, publishing in an undergraduate science journal, biotechnology and agricultural internships, and other related experiences on and off campus.