Join URI Animal and Veterinary Science students for science workshops about food animals at Peckham Farm!

**Saturday May 6th, 9 am to 12pm**

**Schedule and Description of Activities:**

**Tour of URI’s Peckham Farm.** Peckham Farm is the teaching and research farm for the Animal and Veterinary Science (AVS) and Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems (SAFS) majors. Students will tour the farm to meet the resident animals including sheep, goats, pigs, chickens, cows, and donkeys. (30 minutes)

**WORKSHOP 1:** This workshop will focus on food animal handling and management. The students will have the opportunity to conduct physical examinations of the newborn lambs and their mothers taking weights, heart rate, respiration rate, observe a temperature being taken and learn how to calculate average daily gain of the lambs since their birth. In addition, the various management tools, for example ear tagging and tail docking, will be discussed and the students will be able to handle the tools used for these purposes. (45 minutes)

**WORKSHOP 2:** In this workshop, students will learn how biotechnology is used in food animal production. This workshop will focus on the application of biotechnology to animal welfare in poultry. Students will learn egg anatomy and conduct gender determination bioassay experiments. (45 minutes) Participants will attend both workshops.

**Q&A with URI AVS students.** Learn about the various opportunities that the AVS students have working with animals. (30 minutes)

- Space is Limited to 15 participants. Register by April 1 at [web.uri.edu/4h](http://web.uri.edu/4h)
- Dress for outdoor activity and working with animals.
- Bring your own snack and drink.
- Parents welcome.
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