

Accredited Unit Annual Report

Report Year: 2018

Accredited Unit: University of Nevada, Reno

Parent Organization: University of Nevada, Reno

Unit Number: 001104

**Date Completed:
January 10, 2019**

Unit Reporting Period

From (MM/YY): 01/18

To (MM/YY): 12/18

Please submit following the end of the unit reporting period.

Units are encouraged to submit Annual Reports in accord with the unit's reporting period, (i.e., calendar or fiscal year, or USDA reporting period). If you change your reporting period, please be sure that there are no gaps from previous report.

In sections 1-4, please make corrections to reflect current contact information. In sections 5-16, enter the information for your Unit's reporting period.

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2. Responsible Institutional Official

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5. Please verify the information provided regarding the physical areas supporting your animal care and use program. If this information differs from what was provided in your most recent Program Description or last annual report (whichever is most current), please note and explain:

Label	Current Information	Change to Information
Number of buildings	8	
Outdoor pens/pastures	11950	
Total square footage	92500	
Number of sites	4	5

6. Note addition or deletion of animal rooms, laboratories, units, or buildings:

The [REDACTED] satellite housing facility for laboratory mice has been removed from the program of care and those animals are now located in the centralized [REDACTED] vivarium. An existing building at the [REDACTED] campus farm has been remodeled to enable the housing and use of dairy calves in computer monitored animal nutrition studies.

7. The Council on Accreditation notes that there is no obligation for institutions to make program changes based on suggestions for improvement identified during a site visit and described in the subsequent letter from Council. However, if your institution implemented program modifications in response to those suggestions, you may take this opportunity to summarize the actions taken:

The HVAC for the [REDACTED] woodrat housing room was re-balanced to be negatively pressurized, as described in our PSVC dated 01/03/19. The infection control process for staff entry/exit in the [REDACTED] amphibian housing area was modified to eliminate footbaths, as detailed in our PSVC dated 11/21/18. The PSVC dated 12/21/18 provided an update regarding the waste isoflurane gas monitoring; the preliminary report provided by the EH&S department regarding their findings was included in the PSVC dated 01/01/19. Our letter from AAALAC Council subsequent to our 11/06/18-11/08/18 site visit regarding these SFI's is still forthcoming to us pending your January meeting.

8. State and describe changes in organizational structure of the program:

As detailed in our triennial program description dated 07/30/18, the forms and processes used in our occupational health and safety program for animal workers have been changed and a medical safety officer (a certified healthcare safety professional) has been hired by the UNR EH&S office with assigned responsibilities for managing the workflow for persons enrolled in that program. This individual works in close collaboration with the IO's office, the IACUC, and the Animal Resources office to ensure the timely and proactive risk-based assessments and medical care of personnel via the contracted occupational health provider (Specialty Health, Reno, NV).

9. Were any research, testing, or teaching protocols suspended during this reporting period for animal welfare related reasons?

No

If yes, provide details regarding suspension(s):

Not applicable.

10. AAALAC's Rules of Accreditation (Section 2.f) require accredited units to promptly report adverse events relating to their animal care and use programs, including investigations by national oversight bodies (e.g., USDA, OLAW, Home Office, CCAC) and other serious incidents or concerns that negatively impact animal well-being. *If you were unaware of this requirement and have not previously reported the incident(s):*

a) Were any major problems identified or deficiencies noted by animal welfare oversight authorities/bodies/agencies during this reporting period?

No

If yes, provide explanatory documentation:

Not applicable.

b) Did you self-identify any serious deviations from your institutional animal care and use program requirements or policies?

No

If yes, provide details of the deviations:

Not applicable.

11. Using the drop-down menu to select the animal species, please enter the approximate annual usage for the above stated reporting period (for U.S. units, USDA Annual Report figures may be used for regulated species):

a)

Animal Type	Annual Animal Usage	Other Description
Rats	900	
Rabbits	3	
Other	60	Woodrats

Guinea Pigs	100
Fish	500
Birds	208
Amphibians	400
Swine	160
Sheep	200
Reptiles	200
Cattle	1400
Mice	25000

12. List key personnel changes since last reporting period:

Name/Degree	Position	Year of Addition	Year of Deletion
[REDACTED]	IACUC Member (Alternate)	2018	
[REDACTED]	IACUC Member	2018	
[REDACTED]	IACUC Member (Alternate)	2018	
[REDACTED]	Med School Safety Officer	2018	
[REDACTED]	Admin Assistant	2018	
[REDACTED]	Admin Assistant		2018
[REDACTED]	IACUC Member (Alternate)		2018
[REDACTED]	IACUC Member (Alternate)		2018

13. Would you like your unit name to appear on AAALAC International's listing of accredited units in the AAALAC International Directory and on the AAALAC International website?

Yes

14. Please describe your experiences with the service you received from AAALAC International this year (e.g., site visit, office contacts, etc.). Any suggestions you might have for improving our service are welcome.

Our experience with the AAALAC site visitors during our November 2018 re-accreditation site visit was extremely positive and informative. We consistently find the AAALAC International office staff to be extraordinarily helpful.

15. Please identify any special expertise you would like to have on your next site visit team.

Familiarity with land-grant institutes hosting a blend of biomedical, agricultural, general biology, and wildlife research.

16. Any additional information (to include changes in the name of the accredited unit or parent organization):

Vertebrate animals used in field research studies are not reflected in the above animal census numbers.