WELCOME TO BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

VSTAR 2020
Your Botany & Plant Pathology Team

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Each Plant Science student is assigned a faculty mentor. In addition to meeting with your Academic Advisor, Darcy Allen, each semester you will also meet with your assigned faculty mentor. These faculty members serve as a mentor for the research and professional development side of your Purdue career.

Dr. Jody Banks  Dr. Chris Oakley
Dr. Leonor Boavida  Dr. Chris Staiger
Dr. Mike Mickelbart  Dr. Bryan Young
Dr. Yun Zhou
You are a Plant Science Student!

The Botany & Plant Pathology Department offers one major and three minors:

- **Major:** Plant Science
- **Minors:**
  - Plant Biology *(not available to Plant Science majors)*
  - Plant Pathology
  - Weed Science

**Keys to Academic Success:**
- Get engaged in learning from the start
- Talk to your instructors, Academic Advisor, and classmates
- Read your course syllabi and Purdue emails

**Responsibilities for Academic Success:**
- Ultimate responsibility for academic progress lies with the student
- Become familiar with your degree requirements (myPurdue Plan)
- Work with your Academic Advisor and Faculty Mentor for guidance
All of your degree requirements for your Plant Science major are available to you in your myPurdue Plan.

Course recommendations for first semester in Plant Science major:

- AGR 10100 Introduction To The College Of Agriculture And Purdue University
- AGR 12500 Introduction to Plant Science Programs
- BTNY 12000 Principles of Plant Biology I
- CHM 11100 General Chemistry
- ENGL 10600 First Year Composition
- MA 16010 Applied Calculus I
All B&PP Faculty have an area of focus within Plant Science:

- Plant Biology
- Plant Pathology
- Weed Science

All Plant Science undergraduate students are required to complete 3 credit hours of research. Additional information about faculty research focus areas will be shared with you so you can start to think about what you might like to research.
Our Hope For You

Collaborate

Turn Ideas into Reality

Explore

Ask Questions

Become a Boilermaker

Build a Foundation

Seek Knowledge

Have Adventures

Push your limits

Grow
Academic Advising Overview

Next Steps:

- After you complete this VSTAR presentation, you will work with your Academic Advisor, Darcy Allen, to complete course preregistration for Fall 2020 courses.

- You will use your myPurdue Plan to see all degree requirements, and Scheduling Assistant to request courses.

- We also use a system called Boiler Connect to track student VSTAR appointments and to share registration information with students.

- Email Darcy at darcyallen@purdue.edu to schedule a time to complete the preregistration process.
Thank you

I look forward to working with you to help you navigate your path as a Boilermaker!

Darcy Allen
Academic Advisor

Boiler Up!