



Voicing Animal Welfare Concerns

To help ensure that Grinnell College meets federal policy and mandates and voluntary guidelines, the Grinnell College Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) reviews the care and use of animals and addresses all concerns about animal welfare at the college. Grinnell College is committed to ensuring that the care and use of animals in research and teaching are guided by high scientific and ethical standards. Whenever available, animal alternatives including approaches that replace animals with non-animal systems, minimize animal numbers, and prevent or minimize potential pain or distress are employed. When animal use is necessary and justified, Grinnell College endeavors to provide these animals with the highest standards for care and treatment.

All animal use procedures are developed with due consideration to their relevance to improving human or animal health and to the advancement of scientific knowledge. Prior to their initiation, all animal use procedures are reviewed and approved by the Grinnell College Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). The IACUC also conducts on-going reviews to ensure the continued humane and ethical treatment of animals used in research and teaching. All animal activities are conducted by appropriately trained and qualified personnel and meet or exceed all applicable local, state and federal animal welfare laws, regulations and policy, relevant voluntary guidelines and institutional policy.

If you have questions or concerns about animal care or use at Grinnell College, please contact any of the individuals listed below. All inquiries will be handled in a confidential manner and with complete protection from reprisal.

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