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# Training at the NVSL

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The NVSL plays a vital role in providing diagnostic training and outreach programs for both domestic and international visitors.

Our laboratories provide a wealth of technical training opportunities, which include published courses in our annual training catalog as well as a wide range of customized learning events, twinning projects, and long-term collaboration initiatives. The Training Office also provides meeting facilitation, guided tours, and many other services to meet the needs of our collaborators and stakeholders.

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Course dates may be changed without notice due to scheduling conflicts or emergent issues that arise within the hosting laboratory. Class size is limited. Requests for custom training are considered on a case-by-base basis and are subject to personnel and resource availability. **The training catalog is for planning purposes only and is subject to change at any time.**

## Contact Us

If you would like participate in a training event at the NVSL, please contact the National Centers for Animal Health (NCAH) training specialists for more information before submitting the [Application for Training](#).

NCAH Training Office

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## **More Information When Visiting the NVSL**

- [Ames Visitors Bureau](#)—general information for the Ames, IA, area
- [Iowa Department of Transportation \(DOT\) 511](#) —travel information, including weather and road conditions
- [Des Moines International Airport](#)

## **Additional Training Links**

- [Veterinary Services Training](#)—additional training opportunities provided by APHIS
- [AgDiscovery Program](#)—a free summer outreach program to help teenagers explore careers in agricultural sciences

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