Welcome to Vet school! Here is some advice from our first year:

**Cole –**

Is really fun if you go with an open mind. Jared will be there!

**Use the J-drive**, shared folder. It has a folder for every class and tons of additional study guides, tests from previous years, etc. Always a good resource to check!

The J drive also has logos, letterhead and whatnot for our program, in case you need this for anything. It’s in the shared drive in a folder called “Brand-Identity.”

**Places to study other than this building –**

* Coldsmoke Coffee Shop, on 19th and Oak. They are open until midnight and most of the tables have outlets. It can get crowded and you might have to wait for a table.
* City Brew
* Zocalo – Great coffee
* International Coffee Trader – good on the weekends.
* Rosauers – they have fireplace, coffee, and good food.

**Stuff to do other than study –**

ASMSU Outdoor Recreation Program, 1401 West Lincoln Street, (406) 994-3621

http://www.montana.edu/outdoorrecreation/

They run organized trips and have various classes, but more importantly, they have a ton of great equipment for rental – Xcountry ski, camp, climb, water. The equipment rentals are reasonably priced, newer and in great shape.

Athletic Center - lots of classes and you can sign up for intramural sports teams.

Hyalite Canyon – beautiful and only 20 mins from campus. It has both hiking and cross country ski trails. Full moon midnight Xcountry ski – keep the tradition alive.

Hike the M.

Bridger Bowl ski area.

Norris Hotsprings is about 30 miles from town and a great place for a soak.

Chico Hotsprings is about an hour away, but the bar often has live music and the rooms in the main lodge are only $59/ni.

Boiling River: About an hour and a half away a great place to soak in Yellowstone.

The “Run to the Pub” is a half marathon that takes place in early March. Do it.

Food/Drink Specials:

**Monday:** -Mixers: 2 for 1 long island ice teas

 -Monday Night Bowling 🡪 retro style + cheap games

Dollar Bowling on Monday nights at “The Bowl”

**Tuesday:** -Santa Fe Reds: Taco Night ($1.50 tacos)

**Wednesday:** -Mixers: Wild West Wednesday

 -Buffalo Wild Wings: Wings Wednesday ($0.50/ea)

**Thursday:** -Bar IV: $10 buckets

-Mixers: Boot Night

-Crystal: Power Hour (11-midnight)

-Santa Fe Reds: Ladies Night (1/2 off ALL drinks)

-Cats Paw: $2 drafts/$6 pitchers

**Other Places to drink/eat/hang out:**

Breweries: Montana Aleworks, Bridger Brewing, 406 Brewery, Outlaw Brewery

Places to eat: SAVE YOUR MONEY AND EAT AT HOME YA CLOWNS!

..or…
Breakfast: The Western Café (BEST BREKKI AROUND ☺ ), Stockyard Café , Cats Paw, Main Over Easy, Nova, Cateye Café

Lunch/Dinner: Taco Montes, McKenzie River Pizza, Spectators, La Parilla

**Clubs –**

Some things we did this year:

Lane S. arranged a cattle palpation through the College of Ag and a tour of the Flying D Bison Ranch.

Jess S. arranged some surgery workshops at her father’s clinic in Great Falls.

Cassidy B. arranged for an NRCS Pasture Management Specialist to give a talk on grazing management.

Thomas W. arranged for a day at the pig barn on the Kingsbury Hutterite Colony (this was an awesome experience). Also an ELISA interpretation workshop.

Dr. Hardaway let us watch a grizzly spay and castration.

Someone arranged a visit to a local dairy.

**Transition to Pullman –**

When it comes time to find housing in Pullman, do not hesitate to contact one or a few of us if you need someone to go look at a place. Some of the Utah students offered to do this for us, and it was really helpful.

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Also feel free to email any of us with whatever questions might come up. Good luck!!