

## **The University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine**

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### **Media Advisory**

#### **International Day at UT College of Veterinary Medicine**

**When:** Friday, January 7, 2005, 10am-2pm

**Where:** UT College of Veterinary Medicine  
2407 River Drive (corner of River Drive and Joe Johnson Drive off  
Neyland Drive)

**Schedule:**

10am "Diversity in the Workplace" presentation (room A118)  
Dr. Michael Blackwell, Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine  
Dr. Karen Sowers, Dean, College of Social Work

11:30-2pm International dining (Sequoyah Room)

The Office of the Dean and Veterinary Social Work Services at the UT College of Veterinary Medicine (UTCVM) are collaborating on the College's inaugural International Day. This year's theme is "All Roads Lead to Knoxville."

The event is designed to celebrate the vast diversity represented at the veterinary college. Each of the faculty and staff members has traveled a different road to arrive at the college, and each brings a variety of perspectives as we all focus on the same mission and vision, a commitment to making a difference in people's lives every day. Whether by interacting with and mentoring students, caring for the beloved companions of our clients, improving human health through research or developing plans for the future of the college, we are working together to make a difference.

Many faculty and staff at the college have filled out questionnaires designed to encourage exploration and discussion of diverse backgrounds. They have also been encouraged to place a flag with their name on it in their country or state of origin.

Lunch will be served buffet style and the time frame will allow people from various departments within the college to participate. The menu is designed to represent broad geographical regions.

The UT College of Social Work and the International House are co-sponsors of the event.