



Dear Students and Visitors,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the official website of the **Department of Animal Science**, School of Animal Biosciences, at the Agricultural University of Athens.

Our Department is the **first autonomous Department of Animal Science in Greece** and has a **long-standing history of over 100 years**, deeply connected with the development of agricultural production and scientific knowledge in the country. It is committed to serving the field of animal science with dedication, combining academic tradition with cutting-edge research and innovation.

In an era of significant global challenges, such as the food security crisis and climate change, animal science plays a crucial role in ensuring the sufficiency, quality, and safety of food, as well as in the transition towards sustainable, resilient, and environmentally responsible production systems.

Our goal is to provide high-quality education, generate new knowledge, and make a meaningful contribution to the country's agri-food development, while respecting the environment, animal welfare, and the principles of sustainability. Through a modern curriculum, dynamic research activity, and close engagement with the production sector, our Department prepares young scientists with competence, responsibility, and a global perspective.

At the same time, we foster an open academic environment of collaboration, dialogue, and creative thinking, promoting interdisciplinarity and outward-looking engagement. This website aims to serve as a reliable channel of information for students, alumni, collaborators, and all interested parties, presenting the educational and research activities, initiatives, and prospects of our Department.

I invite you to explore our pages and discover the work, values, and people who contribute to our mission.

With respect,

Prof. George Papadomichelakis  
**Chair, Department of Animal Science**