

Assessment & Award Regulations

1.	Course Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine and Bachelor of Veterinary Science
2.	Year 3
3.	Applicable to Academic Year 2024/25
4.	Aspects of Course Covered by Examination All subjects taught in the 3 terms of Year 3 Principles of Veterinary Practice (PVP) Strand material taught in Years 1 and 2.
5.	Form of Examination
5.1.	Written Papers One Basic Factual MCQ paper in Term 1 One Basic Factual MCQ paper and one Clinical Reasoning MCQ paper in Term 2 One Basic Factual MCQ paper and one Clinical Reasoning MCQ paper in Term 3
5.2.	Principles of Veterinary Practice Assignment Reflective in-course assignment
5.3.	Student Record of Achievement In-course record of learning activities
5.4.	Practical Tests – Only for students who have not previously taken DOPS Animal Handling - Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS) in the following animal groups: Small artiodactyls (e.g. sheep), large artiodactyls (e.g. cattle), horse, dog, poultry.
6.	Marking Criteria
6.1.	Multiple Choice Questions The number of marks available for each type of question will be clearly stated on the examination paper. A question left unanswered or deleted by the student will score zero. The pass mark for the MCQ examinations as a whole will be set according to approved and accepted standard setting protocols, normalised and then scaled.
6.2.	Principles of Veterinary Practice (PVP) Assignment Will be marked according to the Common Grading Scheme (Reflective Writing).
6.3.	Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS)

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9.4.	Students who fail to achieve 50% overall but obtained over 50% in one of Basic Factual MCQ or Clinical Problem Solving MCQ papers only have to retake the area in which they obtained less than 50%.
9.5.	Students who fail to achieve 40% in either Basic Factual MCQ or Clinical Problem Solving MCQ papers (irrespective of whether they obtained more than 50% overall) must retake the area in which they achieved less than 40%.
9.6.	Students who fail to achieve 50% overall, but obtained over 50% in Basic Factual MCQ and Clinical Problem Solving MCQ papers combined only have to resubmit the PVP Reflective Assignment.
9.7.	Students who have not satisfactorily completed at least 80% of the Student Record of Achievement by the end of year deadline will be required to repeat the entire year.
9.8.	The overall mark awarded at the second attempt will be capped at 50%.
9.9.	A student who fails at their second attempt will be required to withdraw from the course. They have a right of appeal as described in College Regulations.
10.	Classification
10.1.	A student who, at the first attempt, obtains an overall average mark of 70% or more, and a Safe and satisfactorily completes the Student Record of Achievement, will be awarded a pass with Distinction.
10.2.	A student who, at the first attempt, obtains an average mark of 65%-69%, and a grade of Safe and satisfactorily completes the Student Record of Achievement, will be awarded a pass with Merit.
10.3.	A student who gains 40% or more overall in Year 3 and satisfactorily completes the Student Record of Achievement, will be eligible to transfer to the BSc Animal Health and Disease. A pass in the DOPS is not required in order to transfer.
11.	Disclosure of Marks
	Results will be published by candidate number.
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13.	Late Submission of Work Reports, Projects and Assignments submitted after the due deadline will be subject to the