



BSc Biological Sciences degree programme

Duration of the Degree

The BSc Biological Sciences degree takes three years to complete. Each year consists of three terms, with winter, spring and summer holiday periods. The degree will be taught at the RVC's Camden Campus.

Methods of Teaching

The degree will be delivered through lectures and seminars with an emphasis on small-group teaching and laboratory practical work. We utilise blended teaching modes of delivery to accommodate the needs of all our students.

Although most in-person teaching is at the Camden Campus, there may be some teaching at our Hawkshead Campus. The course will involve investigative project work made up of a group project in the second year and an individual project in the third year.

Accreditation

BSc Biological Sciences has been awarded Accreditation by the Royal Society of Biology.

Core and Optional Modules for Students Beginning in 2024

Module Titles

Biology of Cells
Inheritance, Genetics and Evolution
Developmental Biology
The Moving Animal
Integrated Physiology I
Integrated Physiology II
Problem Definition and Investigation
Library Research Project

Basis of Disease
Aging and Degeneration
Principles of Infectious Disease
Control of Infectious Disease
Principles of Pharmacology
Research Project

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Applied Pharmacology (2nd Year)
Imaging of Disease (2nd Year)
Introduction to One Health (2nd Year)
Introduction to Animal Behaviour, Welfare and Ethics (2nd year)
Advanced Concepts in BioBusiness (3rd Year)
Advanced Concepts in Reproduction (3rd Year)
Advanced Skeletal

You will also have the option to undertake a placement year. The industry-based placement involves an additional year based at an employer where you can focus on developing workplace skills and industry expertise that will sit alongside the knowledge you gain throughout your course. Please note that you will need to find your own placement, but support and guidance will be given, as well as tutorial support throughout your placement year.

Tuition fee of placements/sandwich year: £1,850.

Teaching Staff at RVC

All teaching staff at RVC are fully qualified to teach at Higher Education level. Most staff are involved in research as well as teaching and hold research qualifications. You will find biographical details on all members of staff on the RVC website. Staff will teach by means of lectures, seminars and practicals and work with students in tutorial groups.

Course Directors

Dr Caroline Pellet-Many and
Dr Isabel Orriss

Year One Leader

Dr Donald Palmer

Year Two Leader

Dr Abir Mukherjee

Year Three Leader

Dr Matt Gage

Fees and Costs

The fee for the first year for UK students studying undergraduate degrees at RVC in 2024-25 is £9,250

The fee for the first year for EU and international students on the BSc Biological Sciences degree is £24,370

The fee for the programme can be found in the page: <http://www.rvc.ac.uk/study/undergradua>

section of the degree

EU students and Brexit

For EU students accepting a place on a programme for entry in the academic year 2024/25, your fees will now be the same as other international students, as listed above.

EU students are permitted to enter the UK. However, to stay and study for the duration of the course, they will need to apply for immigration permission either through the EU Settlement Scheme or the Student Visa route.