

**BVetMed Programme Specification**  
**Applies to Cohort Commencing 2013**

<b>1. Awarding institution</b>	Royal Veterinary College
<b>2. Teaching institution</b>	Royal Veterinary College
<b>3. Programme accredited by</b>	Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) Intake

<b>8. Duration and Mode(s) of Study</b>	Annually in September Full-time D100: 5 years D101: 6 years (with intercalated BSc) D102 (Gateway): 6 years Tc 0.0058.1( 6)-12.3( )-12.1i2.3(.0058.1( 6)-657 <</4T4 503.4*)9e
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**15. Relevant QAA subject benchmark**

Veterinary Science

**16. Reference points**

- i. Veterinary Surgeons Act (1966)
- ii. EU Directive 78/1027/EEC (1978)
- iii. Report of the Committee of Enquiry into Veterinary Research ("Selborne") (1997)
- iv. QAA Benchmark Statement, Veterinary Science (2002)
- v. Veterinary Education and Training: a Framework for 2010 and beyond. (RCVS, 2002)
- vi. EU Directive 2005/36/EC (2005)
- vii. RCVS Guidelines on the Essential Competencies Required of the New Veterinary Graduate (2006)
- viii. RCVS EMS Recommendations, Policy and Guidance (2009)
- ix. Report of the North American Veterinary Medical Education Consortium (NAVMEC) (2011)
- x. Criteria and guidance for RCVS approval of veterinary degree courses in the UK & overseas (2011)
- xi. Accreditation Policies and Procedures of the AVMA Council on Education (2012)

**17. Educational aims of programme**

to provide a veterinary undergraduate curriculum designed to satisfy the requirements determined by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, the American Veterinary Medical Association and the Veterinary Directives of the European Union;

to promote excellence and achieve and sustain high national and international standing in teaching and learning;

to provide appropriate preparation for career opportunities in the veterinary and associated professions;

to provide a learning environment that encourages the development of student interests and skills, with support from teaching staff many of whom are active in research and/or clinical practice;

to equip our graduates to continue to develop professionally and to achieve postgraduate qualifications.

**18. Programme outcomes - the programme offers opportunities for students to achieve and demonstrate the following learning outcomes.**

At the time of graduation students should, to a standard appropriate for a new veterinary graduate, be able to:

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## 19. Programme structures and requirements, levels, modules, credits and awards

Gateway Year (Year Zero)	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five
The moving animal	Induction	Integrated Structure & Function Tutorials continue in Year 2	Principles of Science Professional Studies		
The Living Cell	Introduction to The Whole Animal & to Systems Strands	Principles Of Science	Alimentary		
Evolution	Locomotor Principles Of Science	PMVPH	Endocrinology		
Animal Handling	Neurology & Special Senses	Lymphoreticular & Haemopoietic	Population Medicine & Veterinary Public Health		
Summative exam	Cardiovascular & Respiratory Urogenital – Renal Alimentary System Urogenital – Reproduction	Cardiovascular & Respiratory  Professional Studies  Endocrine  Urogenital – Renal  Assessment	Reproduction  Assessment – Animal Handling Direct observation of procedural skills (DOPS)		
	Population Medicine & Veterinary Public Health (PMVPH)				
	Professional Studies				
	Integrated Structure & Function Tutorials take place throughout year				
	Integrated Concepts				
	Assessment				

## GRADUATE YEAR

The programme for the Graduate Year is as follows:

Opportunity to do 6 weeks of Extra mural studies (EMS) Induction Principles of Animal Form and Function Animal Husbandry Infections and Responses Examination
<b>Christmas</b>
Principles of Animal Form and Function Animal Husbandry Infections and Responses Examination Opportunity to do EMS
<b>Easter</b>
Principles of Animal Form and Function Animal Husbandry Infections and Responses Private Study Examinations Orals / Results

<b>20. Work Placement Requirements</b>	
<p><b>Animal Husbandry ExtraMural Studies</b></p> <p>Students must complete 12 weeks of Animal Husbandry ExtraMural Studies before entry to Year 3 of the course, comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 weeks on a lambing enterprise</li> <li>2 weeks on a dairy cattle farm</li> <li>2 weeks at a commercial pig operation</li> <li>2 weeks of equine experience</li> <li>4 weeks of their choice.</li> </ul> <p><i>Gateway</i>                  From the 12 week total described for BVetMed, a minimum of 6 weeks Animal Husbandry ExtraMural Studies is to be completed by the end of BVetMed Year 1 (which includes the summer vacation period), including a minimum of 2 weeks lambing experience to be undertaken at the Easter vacation block in Gateway Year 0. The remaining weeks are to be completed by the end of the summer vacation in BVetMed Year 2.</p> <p><b>Clinical ExtraMural Studies</b></p> <p>Students must complete 26 weeks of Clinical ExtraMural Studies (EMS) during Years 3 to 5. Detailed regulations governing Clinical EMS are contained in the ClinEMS Student Guidelines.</p>	
<b>21. Assessment</b>	See associated marking schemes
<b>21. Date of production/revision</b>	07/05/13