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Vision

A world leader in veterinary education and research, focused on the health and welfare of animals and benefit to the community.

Values

Student life-long learning, supported by inspirational teaching.

Research excellence creating new knowledge.

Service to the profession and the community, as we value and develop our key relationships.

A culture built on academic excellence, integrity, respect and encouragement.

Animal well-being guiding our work.

Mission

We will educate and graduate outstanding veterinarians.

We will deliver a high quality learning environment with a dynamic and responsive curriculum, delivered by inspirational academic staff.

We will undertake high quality research and the establishment of research groups of excellence.

We will mentor our graduate students and develop a sense of ongoing commitment to and involvement with their University.

We will manage elite veterinary teaching hospitals where student learning opportunities are maximised, and excellent service is provided to the community.

We will be at all times informed and balanced advocates for the responsible care of animals.

We will work to ensure the financial viability and sustainable future of the Faculty.

We will have clear direction and effective leadership that maintains open avenues of consultation with students, staff and the wider university community.
Culture statement

'We commit ourselves to developing and strengthening a unified culture that embodies:

A strong sense of common purpose supported by open and honest communication.

Mutual trust and respect between all staff and students regardless of position.

Fairness for all staff and students with recognition and reward for their achievements.

A willingness and capability to adapt to internal and external change.

Pride in the Faculty's heritage and belief in our core values.

Everyone accepting personal responsibility and shared leadership for our future.'

Leadership and innovation in Veterinary Science
Welcome from the Dean

Congratulations on your selection into the Faculty of Veterinary Science. I know that for many of you, commencing veterinary science or veterinary medicine, represents the fulfilment of a dream of training to become a veterinarian. The University of Sydney has Australasia's oldest Faculty of Veterinary Science and as we celebrate more than 90 years of continuous production of world class veterinarians, the University of Sydney celebrates its sesquicentenary (150 years). The staff in our Faculty want to ensure that you have the best possible learning experience and we are committed to assisting you in the years ahead. The University also provides a wide range of services for helping students who may experience medical, financial, emotional or learning difficulties. The Sub-Dean for Students and the Faculty Manager are able to help you make contact with these services.

One of our most important considerations is the care and welfare of animals. During your years in the Faculty you will be working with a range of animal species and at all times we have obligations to ensure the highest standards of care for our animals. Later in the course you will be involved in the University Veterinary Centres in Sydney and Camden and in external partner practices run by private veterinarians. In these clinics you will take part in the treatment of production and companion animals under the supervision of experienced veterinarians. Our clinics also employ many veterinarians with specialist qualifications and you will be trained in state of the art methods of diagnosis and treatment of animal diseases.

In this handbook you will find descriptions of study requirements for the Bachelor of Veterinary Science degree, as well as for graduate degrees within the Faculty. While most of our graduates find satisfying careers in clinical practice, the broad knowledge and skills acquired during the five years can open up a wide range of careers. One of these areas is research and the Faculty provides an opportunity for students to interrupt their studies after the third or fourth year of their course to undertake one year of supervised research in some area of interest. Successful completion of a small thesis embodying the results of this research leads to the award of a Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) degree. Over the past five years, more than 30 students have completed this degree and found it to be one of the most satisfying things that they have done, leading to new career aspirations and research opportunities. The requirements for this one-year degree are described in this handbook.

Knowledge in the broad area of Veterinary Science is expanding at a prodigious rate. To deal with this there is an ongoing curriculum review and our aim is to give you the tools to undertake independent learning, which will need to continue after you graduate. You also will be asked to provide regular evaluation of your courses, which is very important if we are to ensure that we can provide you with the very best possible teaching and learning opportunities. A further initiative which you may like to consider is the Pfizer leadership program for selected students in years 4 and 5. This is a one year program, in partnership with Pfizer, one the leading international pharmaceutical companies, where students undertake a program of leadership development and project management, in conjunction with their normal studies.

On behalf of all the staff, I warmly welcome you to the Faculty and to your first step in becoming professional colleagues in what is a noble task -the care and treatment of animals.

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2 Introduction to undergraduate courses

Bachelor of Veterinary Science, BVSc

See also Bachelor of Veterinary Science units of study on page 7

Veterinary Science at The University of Sydney produces graduates with the knowledge and skills to pursue many career options. The five-year course has a strong emphasis on animal handling skills, and includes teaching programs in a wide range of animal industries. Students spend twelve weeks on horse, pig, beef and dairy cattle, sheep, and poultry farms. These experiences develop competency in animal management. Classes in dog and cat handling are also included in the course. There is a strong commitment to provision of opportunities for students to spend time in veterinary practices and these extramural links with practising veterinary surgeons are an important component of the BVSc program. The Faculty is committed to a variety of teaching methods, including lectures, laboratory practical classes, tutorials, case studies, workshops, computer assisted learning, and practical demonstrations. In years 4 and 5 students observe and participate in clinical activities at the University Veterinary Centres located at Sydney and Camden. Clinical cases and methods of dealing with real-life veterinary problems are emphasised in the course.

The Faculty is committed to a course that will provide students with opportunities to learn about clinical veterinary science and teaching material is organised to demonstrate how basic sciences such as chemistry and biochemistry are applicable to veterinary science. The units of study are described in chapter 3.

Clinical experience

The Faculty of Veterinary Science maintains teaching hospitals at the University Veterinary Centres at Sydney and Camden, where students and veterinarians work together in a clinical teaching and learning environment. Referral and primary accession cases are seen at both sites, and the University Veterinary Centre at Camden also provides veterinary services to farms in the region. A wide range of companion animals, farm animals, racing animals, exotic and native species are seen. Visiting specialists complement Faculty specialists in most disciplines in providing an excellent learning environment for veterinary students. Knowledge of medicine, surgery, anaesthesia, radiology, clinical pathology and production animal issues are developed with small group teaching.

Practical work requirements

Students are required to do practical work in animal husbandry in the vacation periods in the first three years of the course.

During the vacation periods from the end of July Semester of Year 4, students are rostered to spend three weeks at each of the University Veterinary Centres, Sydney and Camden, for practical experience in veterinary medicine and surgery.

Students are also required to undertake three weeks extramural clinical practical experience for each of small and large animals in approved veterinary practices. To approve, students may undertake externships with zoos or attend an equine practice during this time. However only one week of the time spent at either a zoo or equine practice may be counted towards their three week small or large animal extramural requirements respectively. All arrangements for placement are made through the Faculty Office.

From 2004, students will complete all clinical rotations in Year 5 of the course.

Assumed knowledge for school leavers

NSW Higher School Certificate or equivalent level Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics. Biology would be a distinct advantage.

Progression in the Bachelor of Veterinary Science

Under normal circumstances students will satisfy the degree requirements in five years. Students who fail a unit of study are required to repeat enrolment in that unit. Students repeating units of study, may, with permission of the Faculty, enrol in one or more units of study in the following year of the course. The Faculty will normally grant permission for students to enrol in a unit of study in the following year when:

- the timetable arrangements are such that students can attend all classes
- all prerequisites for enrolment in the unit of study have been satisfied
- any corequisites for the units in the following year can be satisfied.

Prerequisites are units of study that must be passed before enrolment in the next unit. Corequisites are units of study that must be studied concurrently.

The handbook provides details of prerequisites and corequisites for all units of study. The Faculty may waive prerequisite or corequisite requirements if a student demonstrates that such requirements are not appropriate. Applications for such waivers should be submitted to the Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning.

Bachelor of Science (Veterinary), BSc(Vet)

See also Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) units of study on page 14

After the completion of third or fourth year students may undertake one year of supervised research in an area of veterinary science. Graduates are awarded a BSc(Vet).

Units of study

Units of study are subject to alteration. Units of study, arrangements for units of study, including staff allocated, as stated in this or any other publication, announcement or advice of the University, are an expression of intent only and are not to be taken as a firm offer or undertaking. The University reserves the right to discontinue or vary such units of study, arrangements or staff allocations at any time without notice.

Coordinators

The coordinator for each unit of study is indicated below the credit point value. These are subject to change.

Books

Students are advised not to buy textbooks until lectures commence and lecturers recommend the preferred books.

Note

New curriculum units of study are taught in Years 1-3 in 2002, Years 1-4 in 2003 and in all years in 2004.
3 Units of study

■ Bachelor of Veterinary Science units of study

Year 1

VETS 1006 Animal Husbandry 1A
This unit of study covers aspects of animal husbandry, welfare and management of: horses - their characteristics and management; pig and poultry industries in Australia and production of meat and eggs; cats, dogs and cage and aviary birds - breeds and their management.
Practical: A series of practical classes including handling of dogs and cats and associated tutorials.
Textbooks
Students should consult lecturers before purchasing text or reference books.
Unit of study Manual
VETS 1019 Animal Husbandry 1B
7 credit points, tba. Semester: 2. Classes: 91 hours of lectures and practical classes. Assessment: Written examination.
This unit of study covers aspects of ruminant management and production, especially sheep, beef and dairy cattle. The agronomic and ecological principles of the production and utilisation of native and sown pastures will also be covered.
Practical: Full day practical handling classes are conducted at the University Farms, Camden, with horses, pigs, poultry, sheep, beef and dairy cattle and pastures. Practical classes will be taken by all students and will be examinable.
Textbooks
Students should consult lecturers before purchasing text or reference books.
VETS 1013 Cell Biology 1A
4 credit points. Dr Paul Sheehy. Semester: 1. Classes: 37 lectures, 8 hours of practical classes and 2 hours of tutorials. Assumed knowledge: See UAC Handbook. Assessment: 1 hour written paper 70% (cell structure 15 mins 17%, cell function 45 mins 53%), mid-semester assignment 10%, light microscopy assignment 10% and operation of a light microscope 10%.
This unit will introduce students to the biology of the cell. Topics include cell structure and cellular metabolism. The cell structure component introduces a description of cell membranes and organelles and the cellular metabolism component includes a discussion of metabolic pathways. Clinical material is used to illustrate normal structure and function.
Textbooks
VETS 1018 Cell Biology 1B
6 credit points. Dr Paul Sheehy. Semester: 2. Classes: 43 lectures, 26 hours of practical classes and 2 hours of tutorials. Assumed knowledge: VETS 1013 Cell Biology 1A. Assessment: 2 hour written paper 80% (theory 90 mins 60%, practical 30 mins 20%) and mid-semester assignment 20%.
In this unit the study of the molecular biology of the cell will be extended to include gene expression, recombinant DNA technology, membrane structure and function, cell cycle, cell differentiation and cancer.
Clinical material is used to illustrate normal structure and function.
Textbooks
CHEM 1405 Chemistry
This is a one semester unit of study designed to provide (i) a suitable foundation for subsequent units of study such as biochemistry, animal nutrition, physiology and pharmacology, and (ii) a chemical background that will aid in the understanding, diagnosis and treatment of disease. It covers chemical theory, inorganic, physical, and organic chemistry with many examples from biological areas. It pre-supposes a satisfactory prior knowledge of HSC Chemistry.
Full detailed information is available from the School of Chemistry.
A total of 52 lectures comprising 28 lectures in inorganic and physical chemistry and 24 lectures in organic chemistry. Practical: Nine 3 hour sessions.
Textbooks
Detailed information about prescribed texts is available from the School of Chemistry.
VETS 1021 Professional Practice 1A
This is an introductory course which aims to help students settle into university life and cope with different approaches to teaching, to learn more about the veterinary profession and the opportunities and responsibilities associated with a degree in veterinary science, and to acquire the skills and knowledge necessary for becoming an independent, reflective and self-motivated learner. The unit should enhance the ability to use libraries, information technology and other resources to find information, and improve study skills. Students will be introduced to the history of veterinary science and its major achievements, the wide diversity of occupations within the profession, the professional roles of veterinarians, the main professional organizations, and how veterinarians are accredited and licensed to practice. Animal Welfare is introduced and the main issues for veterinary students and veterinarians are identified. This unit will help provide a contact and relevance for the other units in Year 1.
Textbooks
Produced in Faculty (lecture notes)
VETS 1014 Professional Practice 1B
3 credit points. Dr Henry Collins. Semester: 2. Classes: 11 classes of 3 hours. Assumed knowledge: VETS 1021 Professional Practice 1A.
Assessment: Portfolio of work.
In this unit students will study the why, the where and the how of veterinary practice: reasons for establishing a practice, organisation of the premises, services offered to the public, the basic facilities necessary for practice, and the roles and interrelationships of the staff. This will be largely achieved through visits to Education Support Practices (ESP). The visits to
an ESP will also provide the opportunity for a study of veterinary communication skills. The study of veterinary practice will also provide a context for the other units in Year 1. An understanding of the ethical theories relating to animals and current discussion on the moral status of animals will help provide a rational basis for Animal Welfare. There will also be opportunities in this unit to explore the basis of professional behavior and to learn to use the Internet effectively.

Textbooks
Produced in Faculty (lecture notes)

VETS 1014 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 1A
6 credit points. Dr Paul Hopwood. Semester: 1. Classes: 32 lectures, 37 hours of practical classes and 12 hours of tutorials. Assessment: 2 hour written paper 40%, physiology assignments 20% and anatomy tissue identification 40%. Anatomy and histology refer to studies of the structure of cells, tissues and organs. Physiology refers to processes involved in normal cell, tissue or body function, and biological pathways involved in the maintenance of a healthy animal. In this unit the gross anatomy and histology of the musculoskeletal system of the dog is studied together with the histology of epithelial tissue and connective tissue including blood. Basic principles of physiological control, water and electrolyte balance and the physiology of nerve and muscle cells complete the course. Clinical material is used to illustrate normal structure and function. Examples of structural and physiological abnormalities that cause dysfunction and disease in animals are included. Computer based tutorials and assessments will be used to assist learning.

Textbooks

Practical Class Manual

VETS 1020 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 1B
8 credit points. Dr Glenn Shea. Semester: 2. Classes: 52 lectures, 49 hours of practical classes and 8 hours of tutorials. Assessment: 2 hour written theory paper 50%, physiology assignments 20% and anatomy tissue identification 30% (14% in-class, 16% end-of-semester). In this unit the gross anatomy, histology and physiology of the respiratory, endocrine, cardiovascular and urinary systems are studied. Mechanisms of acid base regulation are also included. Clinical material is used to illustrate normal structure and function. Examples of structural and physiological abnormalities that cause dysfunction and disease in animals are included. Computer based tutorials and assessments will be used to assist learning.

Textbooks

Unit of study Manual

Year 2

VETS 2010 Animal Digestion and Nutrition
7 credit points. Dr Rhondda Canfield. Semester: 1. Classes: 91 hours of lectures, tutorials and practical classes. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Year 1. Assessment: Written examination 70%; Continuous Assessment 30%.
Animal Digestion and Nutrition is a unit of study that consists of an integrated series of lectures, tutorials, and practical classes concerned with the comparative structure and function of the digestive system, the principles and practice of nutrition and interactions between nutrients that influence health and production.

Textbooks
Students should consult lecturers before purchasing textbooks.


VETS 2012 Equine Anatomy
4 credit points. Dr Glenn Shea. Semester: 2. Classes: 52 hrs of practical classes. Assumed knowledge: VETS 1014 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology, 1A.
VETS 2010 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 1B. VETS 2011 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 2A. VETS 2010 Animal Digestion and Nutrition. Assessment: One 1 hour written paper 40%; practical examination 40%; assessment 20%.
In this unit of study, the topographic and regional anatomy of the horse, a large domestic animal, is studied by sequential dissection of entire preserved horses. This unit of study also involves integration of knowledge of systemic anatomy, acquired from VETS 1014,1020, 2010 and 2011, allowing the student to develop an understanding of the regional anatomy of a domestic mammal, knowledge necessary for surgery units of study in later years. Clinically-relevant regions are emphasized, and the relevance illustrated by reference to common clinical conditions.

Textbooks

Additional course material will be available on the Web.

VETS 2009 Genetics and Biometry
This unit of study presents an introduction to those aspects of genetics and statistics that are relevant to veterinarians. The genetics section covers the creation and use of genetic maps; single-locus disorders; chromosomal abnormalities; non-Mendelian familial disorders; immunogenetics; pharmacogenetics; genetic variation in pests, parasites and pathogens; genetic and environmental control of inherited diseases; relationship and inbreeding; heritability; breed history and structure; selection and crossing. The biometry section covers biological variability; samples and populations; hypothesis tests; confidence intervals; analysis of variance; experimental design; regression and correlation; contingency tables.

Textbooks

VETS 2013 Principles of Disease
8 credit points. Assoc. Prof Paul Canfield. Semester: 2. Classes: 104 hours of lectures, tutorials and practical classes. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Year 1 (Semesters 1 and 2) and Year 2 (Semester 1 only). Assessment: 3 hour written paper.
The primary aim of Principles of Disease is to lay a solid foundation for studies in the third year of the Veterinary Science course. Principles of Disease introduces students to the disciplines of pathology, immunology, microbiology and parasitology and provides an integrated view of how disease is a result of interactions amongst host, organism and environment.

Textbooks
Jones, T. C. et al, Veterinary Pathology, 6th edn, Williams and Wilkins 1997
Tizzard I. R, Veterinary Immunology. An Introduction, 6th edn, W. B. Saunders 2000
VETS 2008 Professional Practice 2


Assessment: Portfolio of work.

In this unit, visits to the Education Support Practices will provide the opportunity for further study of practice management, including, promotion of services, maintenance of client satisfaction and good ward management. Other topics studied will include Communication, Animal Welfare, the human-animal bond and scientific writing. Students will be expected to be able to work successfully as individuals, in pairs and as members of a team.

Textbooks

Produced in Faculty (lecture notes)

VETS 2011 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 2A

7 credit points. Dr D.L. Evans. Semester: 1. Classes: 98 hours, with 3-4 lectures and 3-4 hours of practicals or tutorials per week. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Year 1. Assessment: Two in-semester assessments (worth 25% each), 2hr exam (40%), 1 hr practical exam (20%).

This unit has been designed to extend knowledge obtained during Year 1 units in Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology and explore more mechanisms of abnormal body function. It also deals with some new topics in animal structure and function, particularly the nervous system, and covers the anatomy of common domestic bird species, with an emphasis on the chicken.

The unit focuses on the nervous system and senses, mechanisms by which dysfunction of body systems leads to disease, and development of skills used to recognise normal and abnormal animals. Neurophysiology and neuroanatomy are integrated, and students will learn how neural function is determined by the neural structures and their connections.

Students will apply the principles covered in these topics to examine, describe, interpret and explain how animals perceive their environment, process and store information and respond with voluntary and involuntary activities. The primary focus will be on normal animals, however specific lesions will be used to demonstrate the role of components of the nervous system in normal function. The skills and knowledge acquired during this unit will be further used and developed in units of study in years 2-5 of the course. For example the neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and neuropharmacology component of this unit will provide students with a basis for analysis and management of animals with abnormal neurological function in clinical medicine. The unit also covers aspects of applied cardiovascular and exercise physiology.

Textbooks


Reference books

List provided by staff

VETS 2016 Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 2B

8 credit points. Dr Rhonda Canfield. Semester: 2. Classes: 62 lectures and 42 hrs of other classes. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology 1A.1B, 2A. Assessment: 2 hr written examination (40% of total assessment), practical examination (20% of total assessment), small group project(s) (30% of total assessment) and quizzes (10% of total assessment).

Topics studied in this unit include the gross anatomy, histology and physiology of the reproductive system and mammary glands of domestic animals, fertility, pregnancy, parturition and prenatal and postnatal development. Students will be introduced to clinically relevant material. Classes other than lectures will include tutorials, laboratory work, library research and small group projects.

Textbooks


VETS 2015 Veterinary Conservation Biology

4 credit points. Dr A.W. English. Semester: 2. Classes: Lectures/tutorials 37 hrs, practical tutorials 17 hrs. Total 52 hrs. Assessment: 2 hour written paper (75% of total mark), mid semester quiz (10%) and written project (15% of total mark).

Definition

The term 'veterinary conservation biology' has been adopted as describing the activities in wildlife conservation and management, which can involve veterinarians. These activities can be grouped as follows:

1. Wildlife health: This can range from the work of veterinarians in zoos, aquaria and wildlife parks to the treatment and rehabilitation of sick, injured or orphaned wildlife in private veterinary clinics, as well as to the investigation and management of diseases in free-living populations. The term 'conservation medicine' is sometimes applied to this work.

2. Conservation of endangered species: This includes activities such as Species Management Plans, Threat Abatement Plans and captive breeding programs, with veterinarians invariably working as part of a team with other biologists. It may involve the use of enhanced reproduction programs, genome resource banking and molecular genetic technology. Research will be important as well, across all disciplines (taxonomy, health, reproduction, husbandry etc).

3. Sustainable farming and off-reserve conservation: There is an increasing need for veterinarians working with property owners to take a whole-farm approach to any advice given about management of that property. It will be necessary to work closely with other advisers in dealing with such things as erosion, salination, water quality and loss of wildlife habitats. Management of the impacts of vertebrate pests and introduced plants, and a range of other off-reserve conservation measures may also be required, in seeking solutions to the problems of land degradation and loss of biodiversity.

4. Sustainable utilisation of wildlife: This can range from the harvest of free-living populations (eg, macropods, feral pigs, goats, mutton birds) to intensive game farming (eg, crocodiles, emus, deer), and includes fee hunting and ecotourism (eg, whale watching). There are potential benefits in these as alternatives to traditional land use strategies, most of which have resulted in serious land degradation, and as components in the conservation of biodiversity. Animal welfare may be a primary consideration for veterinarians involved with these industries, as well as undertaking research and development in new areas.

5. Import and export of wildlife: This encompasses both quarantine activities and enforcement of national and international treaties such as CITES.

It can be seen from this list that there are many ways in which veterinarians can contribute to the conservation and management of wildlife, and to local and national economies. The profession should not necessarily seek to become wildlife managers in their own right, but in most cases should be seen as essential members of teams undertaking such activities. With the passage of time these opportunities are certain to expand, and veterinarians must be prepared to take on new challenges and new avenues for employment.

Learning outcomes

At the end of this unit of study, it is expected that students will: 1. Have a broad knowledge and general understanding of the taxonomy, ecology, biology and conservation status of Australia's unique vertebrate fauna.

2. Have knowledge and understanding of specified key aspects of the anatomy and physiology of Australia's native vertebrate fauna (ANF).

3. Be aware and have a good understanding of the principles of the ecology, population dynamics, conservation status and management of macropods in Australia.

4. Have a knowledge and understanding of the threatening processes past and present that continue to adversely affect Australia's fauna. An elective in vertebrate pests and their management will be offered in Final Year.

5. Have a knowledge of, and be able to critically evaluate the arguments for and against the sustainable utilisation of wildlife, including the ethical and animal welfare aspects. An elective in the sustainable use of wildlife will be offered in Final Year (eg, aquaculture, fisheries, hunting, harvesting kangaroos and feral pigs, game farming (crocodiles, emus, deer), ecotourism).

6. Have knowledge and understanding of the general principles of disease as they apply to wildlife health.

7. Have a broad knowledge and understanding of the husbandry and handling requirements for captive breeding of ANF. Practical exposure should be available in the Wildlife Health
and Conservation Centre at Camden - perhaps on a voluntary basis for Years 2 and 3, as well as in years 4 and 5.
8. Be aware of and understand the principles, animal welfare aspects and ethics of wildlife rehabilitation and translocation. Clinical exposure to sick and injured wildlife will be available in the Camden Wildlife Clinic for Years 4 and 5.
9. Be aware of, understand and critically evaluate the basis for current approaches to wildlife emergency management (oil spills, bushfires, marine mammal strandings).
10. Have a working knowledge and understanding of the legislation and treaties that deal with wildlife conservation and management.
11. Have exposure to and knowledge of a specified range of field techniques for assessing wildlife populations and habitats. May be dealt with on a voluntary field trip to 'Arthursleigh'.

Textbooks

Reference book

Year 3


The unit of study draws on knowledge of many aspects of animal husbandry, evolutionary biology and physiology, pharmacology and psychology. The course focuses on the importance of understanding ethology, learning theory and training techniques and includes demonstrations from expert animal handlers and trainers.

Textbooks

Unit of study manual

VETS 3020 Animal Disease 11 credit points. Assoc Prof Nicholas Sangster. Semester: 2. Classes: 143 hours. Cases will be presented weekly and the proportion of hours spent in different activities will vary, but will include practicals, group discussions and computer-based exercises. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Years 1-2. Assessment: Quizzes will be completed within each case and case investigation exercises will be used to assess problem solving skills.

This extends and integrates knowledge in Veterinary Parasitology, Veterinary Microbiology, Veterinary Pathology and Veterinary Pharmacology. The unit is presented in a series of disease cases in a herd or individual animal. For each case students work independently as causative agents, differential diagnosis, diagnostic techniques and arrive at treatment and control solutions. The course includes diseases caused by a wide range of organisms, as well as nutritional and genetic disease in a range of animals of veterinary interest.

Linked to each case is a major topic which is one theme in Veterinary Public Health (epidemiology, zoonoses, hygiene) or therapy. The cases are also linked to Professional Practice themes.

VETS 3019 Professional Practice 3A 2 credit points. Dr Henry Collins. Semester: 1. Classes: No formal classes. Approximately 26 hours private study. Assumed knowledge: Professional Practice 1A, 1B, 2. Assessment: Report. This unit of study comprises an individual project based on a learning contract. Students choose an area of professional development and negotiate a project with a Supervisor. The project contract and Supervisor have to be approved by the Coordinator of the Professional Practice program, or deputy. Satisfactory completion of the project is demonstrated by submission of a short report that is confirmed by the Supervisor and approved-by-the Coordinator.

VETS 3036 Professional Practice 3B 2 credit points. Dr Henry Collins. Semester: 2. Classes: 13x2 hour sessions. Assumed knowledge: Professional Practice 1A, 1B, 2, 3A. Assessment: In-class evaluation, Report. This unit is a preliminary study of the various Acts and other legislation pertaining to the practice of veterinary science. Students are introduced to basic legal concepts and processes. The legislation to be studied is linked to the clinical scenarios in VETS 3020 Animal Disease. Classes comprise student presentations and role-plays supported by talks from appropriate authorities.

VETS 3025 Public Health 4 credit points. Assoc Prof. Nicholas Sangster. Semester: 2. Classes: 52 hours and will take the form of lectures and student presentations. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Years 1-2. Assessment: A project in each of the three subject areas. A computer-based task and a final written examination.

Veterinary Public Health encompasses the related sciences of zoonoses and food hygiene through which veterinarians play a vital role in maintaining human health. Veterinary Epidemiology which is the study of disease patterns is integrated to understand the control of human and animal disease. The course in Veterinary Public Health builds on Veterinary Pathology, Veterinary Microbiology and Veterinary Parasitology and runs concurrently with Animal Disease. Topics are dealt with in the context provided by the Animal Disease cases.

VETS 3037 Veterinary Clinical Sciences 3 7 credit points. Prof B. Farrow. Semester: 2. Classes: 91 h, lectures and practicals. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1-2 and February semester Year 3. Assessment: Practical skills assessment, assignment and final examination.

Veterinary Clinical Science is the first unit of several which develop skills in the clinical sciences. It builds on all of the preclinical units and precedes a species-based approach to critical issues. This unit of study is designed to impart basic skills in imaging, anaesthesia, surgery and medicine using relevant clinical case material.

Textbooks
- Small Animal Surgery - Fossum, Mosby.


Veterinary Microbiology encompasses veterinary bacteriology, virology and mycology and the role of these three groups in infectious disease processes. It also includes the newly discovered microscopic disease agents. The study of Veterinary Microbiology is based on a basic understanding of the structure and morphology of the pathogenic bacteria, viruses and fungi of veterinary significance and is supported by knowledge of pathological and immunological processes taught in Principles of Disease. Veterinary Microbiology prepares students for Animal Disease and clinical subjects.


A study of the common diseases of companion and commercial animals caused by protozoan, nematode, platyhelminth, insect and acarine parasites. The course includes the biology of parasites, and the pathogenesis, diagnosis, epidemiology, treatment and control of parasitic diseases. Veterinary Parasitology assumes an understanding of basic biological principles, and knowledge of the anatomy and physiology of animals. The unit is a preparation for Animal Disease (VETS 3020).

Textbooks
- Unit of study manual (available from Faculty)
VETS 3011 Veterinary Pathology

Veterinary Pathology is the study of disease and disease processes in animals and includes teaching skills in understanding and recognizing disease in a range of animal species. Pathology is one of the core knowledge areas for veterinarians and additional training in the area would be required for those aspiring to become a specialist veterinary pathologist.

The unit of study draws on knowledge of many aspects of anatomy, histology, physiology, microbiology and parasitology and assumes a thorough understanding of the Principles of Disease unit of study upon which it builds. The course is practically-orientated and presented in a contemporary, ‘body systems based’ manner. In addition, the pathogenesis of diseases with nutritional, genetic or toxic cause will be included.

VETS 3013 Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology

Pharmacology is the study of the safe use of drugs in the therapy and prevention of animal diseases. Toxicology refers to pharmacologically active toxins which adversely affect animals. These subjects build on knowledge learnt in Chemistry, Cell Biology and Veterinary Physiology and provides the basis to understand how pharmacological agents work at their site of action and how they behave in the body. In order to link the differences of animals and the therapy the course runs parallel with units of study in Veterinary Pathology, Veterinary Microbiology and Veterinary Parasitology. The application of knowledge learnt in Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology is a major component of clinical veterinary science.

The unit covers the principles of drug action and then deals with a range of drug classes pertinent to veterinary science and the peculiarities of drugs in the core species.

Textbooks:

Year 4

VETS 4003 Animal Husbandry Practical Report
2 credit points. Assoc Prof Gareth Evans. Semester: 1. Classes: Nil Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Years 1 -3. Assessment: The work is documented in a practical report which is submitted for assessment in the first week of February Semester, Year 4. A practical skills test will also be conducted at the beginning of Year 4.

Students are required to undertake extramural practical work in animal husbandry. This is to enable them to gain experience in the major animal industries and to master animal handling and manipulative techniques with livestock.

Practical: Extra-mural practical work during vacations Years 1 to 3. Practical requirement period for the following species: horses 28 days, dairy cattle 14 days, beef cattle 14 days, sheep 14 days, pigs 7 days and poultry 7 days with an additional 14 days to be spent at the student's discretion. Students are encouraged to voluntarily gain experience with native fauna, zoo animals, marine animals or other exotic species.

VETS 4012 Animal Nutrition 4

A unit of study on the integration of nutrition with clinical topics and applied nutrition of a variety of animals including horses, dogs, cats, fish, cage birds, laboratory and zoo animals.

VETS 4023 Applied Reproduction and Obstetrics
3 credit points. Assoc Prof Gareth Evans. Semester: 2. Classes: 36 lectures and 1 x 2 hour practical/tutorial class. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Years 1 -3. Assessment: One 3 hour written examination and written assignments.

A unit of study concerned with applied aspects of animal reproduction and obstetrics. Topics include the normal patterns of fertile or infertile animals, dogs, cats and horses and emphasis is placed on regulation of fertility and management of reproductive disorders. Instruction is provided on pre-partum affections, parturition, dystocia and the affections of the urogenital tract at birth. Practical experience is gained at the University Veterinary Centre, Camden, and in further formal demonstrations in Fifth Year units of study at the University Veterinary Centre, Camden.

VETS 4041 Applied Veterinary Anatomy

This unit of study covers the surface anatomy and applied anatomy of the horse and dog.
Practical: Dissection classes

VETS 4027 Clinical Practice 4A
3 credit points. Prof. Brian Fawc. Semester: 2. Classes: 152 hours tuition in clinical practice. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Satisfactory performance is determined by continuous assessment and the satisfactory completion of an adequate case log book documenting cases that each student has been involved with throughout the year (50%). Surgery assessment in Clinical Practice consists of viva voce examination and surgery log books (25%). Medicine assessment in Clinical Practice is the Structured Objective Clinical Examination in the July semester (25%).

Clinical practice consists of a total of 12 weeks tuition in clinical medicine and surgery of dogs and cats. Students receive training in a logical approach to the investigation of medical and surgical problems and their management while working within a busy veterinary hospital.

VETS 4028 Clinical Practice 4B

This unit is a continuation of VETS 4027.

VETS 4020 Veterinary Anaesthesia 4A
3 credit points. Ms Sanaa Zaki. Semester: 1. Classes: 8 lectures + practical and tutorial classes. Clinical rotation: 2 weeks during the year. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Assignment and clinical assessment.

This course involves the planning and implementation of safe anaesthesia for small companion animals. Incorporating clinical cases from the veterinary teaching hospital, topics for discussion include anaesthesia for common disease conditions, analgesia for the peri-operative period and resuscitation techniques for cardio-respiratory arrest.

Practical classes and clinical rotations encourage students to utilise concepts discussed in lectures and develop the manual dexterity and confidence required for anaesthetising routine clinical cases.

VETS 4019 Veterinary Anaesthesia 4B
4 credit points. Ms Sanaa Zaki. Semester: 2. Prerequisite: VETS 4020 Veterinary Anaesthesia 4A. Assessment: Written Examination.
NB: Permission required for enrolment.

This unit is a continuation of VETS 4020.

VETS 4036 Veterinary Clinical Pathology A
2 credit points. Assoc Prof Paul Canfield. Semester: 1. Classes: 24 lectures and five 3 hour practical classes February Semester. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Assessment: Continuous practical assessment (15%).
NB: Permission required for enrolment.

A unit of study of lectures, demonstrations, practical classes, tutorials and seminars during fourth year deals with the application of pathological, biochemical, haematological, microbiological and parasitological techniques and test results to clinical aspects of veterinary science.

Practical work includes the examination of specimens taken from living animals by techniques in the above fields. Special attention, throughout the course, is given to the application and interpretation of tests used in the diagnosis, prognosis and management of clinical disease.

Textbooks:
None required as course notes are made available
Reference book:
VETS 4037 Veterinary Clinical Pathology B
3 credit points. Assoc Prof Paul Canfield. Semester: 2. Classes: 6 lectures and four 3 hour practical classes July Semester. Prerequisite: VETS 4036 Veterinary Clinical Pathology A. Assessment: Continuous practical assessment (15%). Group oral presentation (10%). Two hour open book written examination (60%).
NB: Permission required for enrolment.
This unit is a continuation of VETS 4036.

VETS 4029 Veterinary Medicine 4A
3 credit points. Prof Brian Farrow. Semester: 1. Classes: 45 lectures and 12 hours of tutorials during the year. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Viva voce examination.
The unit of study commenced in third year continues through the two semesters of fourth year. Lectures on diseases of various organ systems constitute the didactic component given in February Semester. The unit of study is based on dogs and cats, with reference to other animal species as necessary.
Textbooks

VETS 4030 Veterinary Medicine 4B
3 credit points. Prof Brian Farrow. Semester: 2. Classes: Tutorials during the year. Prerequisite: VETS 4029 Veterinary Medicine 4A. Assessment: 3 hour written examination.
This unit is a continuation of VETS 4029.

VETS 4018 Veterinary Parasitology 4
4 credit points. Dr Henry Collins. Semester: 2. Classes: 30 lectures and twelve 2 hour practical classes. Assumed knowledge: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Based on compulsory exercises, a group project and final written and practical examinations.
A study of the economically important parasitic diseases of commercial animals: cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, poultry, bees and farmed fish. The unit of study emphasises the importance of clinical and sub-clinical parasitic diseases as constraints on agricultural production and shows how knowledge of the epidemiology of these diseases is used in planning control measures. Educational objectives are used to assist learning; assessment is based on these objectives and comprises a group project, compulsory exercises and final practical and written examinations.
Practical: Laboratory sessions involving recognition of parasites, acquisition of diagnostic skills, tutorials and completion of compulsory exercises.
Textbooks

VETS 4024 Veterinary Radiology 4A
3 credit points. Prof. G.S. Allan. Semester: 1. Classes: 6 lectures and 24 hours of clinical instruction in various aspects of diagnostic imaging. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 3. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Written examination July Semester (60%) and clinical rotation (40%). 6 lectures and 24 hours of clinical instruction in various aspects of diagnostic imaging.
The course covers the radiographic appearance of the normal structure and function of the various organ systems commonly investigated by radiology. Students will be taught to recognise, describe and diagnose the changes in structure and function, relate to underlying causes, that are commonly found in radiographs. There will be an introduction to the special radiological techniques, including radiological contrast studies, that are commonly used to further demonstrate diseases. The role of diagnostic ultrasound in the diagnosis of the common diseases of the soft tissues will also be covered.
Textbooks

VETS 4025 Veterinary Radiology 4B
2.5 credit points. Prof. G.S. Allan. Semester: 2. Classes: 6 lectures and 24 hours of clinical instruction in various aspects of diagnostic imaging. Prerequisite: VETS 4024 Veterinary Anaesthesia 4A. Assessment: Written examination July Semester (60%) and clinical rotation (40%).
NB: Permission required for enrolment.
This unit is a continuation of VETS 4024.
strategies for integrating supplementary feeding strategies with pasture management will be emphasised. The impacts of nutritional strategies on milk quality will be emphasised in 2 lectures dealing with factors influencing milk quality.

The objectives of the reproduction section are to produce a graduate who understands and can apply methods of oestrus synchrony and manipulation of fertility, who understands and has some familiarity with embryo transfer and who is capable of delivering cost-effective reproductive management programs to dairy farmers.

Textbooks

VETS 5033 Clinical Practice 5A
5 credit points. Professor David Hodgson. Semester: 1. Classes: 145 hours of practical work at the UVCC. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 4. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Continual assessment 40% February semester. Clinical Practice integrates knowledge from lectures in earlier units of study in the management of cases and dealing with clients. This will occur under supervision of staff at the University Veterinary Centre, Camden (UVCC). The UVCC provides experience in the management of a wide range of disease problems in companion and large animals. Students also participate in herd health services provided to local dairy producers.

Continuing assessment will account for 80% of the allocated mark and each student will be assessed after each rotation of work at the UVCC. This assessment will be based on clinical knowledge, management of case records, attitude towards, and interest in the work undertaken at the UVCC and professionalism (client and colleague relationships). At the time of the July semester examinations each student will be examined viva voce and this will account for 20% of the mark.

Students will be expected to participate in rostered after hours activities as a requisite component of this course of study. During this period students will be required to live in close proximity to the UVCC.

Practical: 145 hours

VETS 5034 Clinical Practice 5B
5 credit points. Professor David Hodgson. Semester: 2. Classes: 145 hours of practical work at the UVCC. Prerequisite: VETS 5033 Clinical Practice 5A. Assessment: Continual assessment 40%, July semester. Viva voce examination 20%, July semester. This unit of study is a continuation of VETS 5033.

Practical: 145 hours

VETS 5031 Equine Medicine and Surgery 5A
6 credit points. Prof. David Hodgson. Semester: 1. Classes: 48 lectures and 25 hours of practical classes. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 4. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: Written examination on equine surgery and medicine (80%), plus a practical examination on equine clinical examination and diagnosis (20%). Equine surgery and medicine is designed to provide a foundation whereby students become competent to deal with a horse or horses experiencing common medical or surgical problems. Much of the lecture course utilises problem-based learning. This approach is designed to augment skills developed in other disciplines including anatomy, pathology, microbiology and small animal medicine and surgery. The course is designed to assist the student in learning effective problem solving skills, determination of differential diagnoses and the judicious use of appropriate diagnostic aids when attempting to reach a diagnosis. Options and approaches to commonly used therapeutic measures are included also. Areas of emphasis in the course include lameness, respiratory diseases, abdominal pain (colic), weight loss, diseases of foals, ophthalmology, and various other aspects on equine surgery and internal medicine. Practical classes are designed to assist the student become familiar and confident in handling horses, performing a clinical examination and undertaking key diagnostic procedures. These classes are designed to integrate the common clinical skills developed in the lecture component of the course and elsewhere in the curriculum (eg. Clinical Practice 4 and 5) and involve history taking, physical examination and common diagnostic procedures. Equine surgery and medicine 5A is designed to augment the experience in equine practice garnered by students undertaking Clinical Practice 5A and B and extra-mural practical work.

Textbooks

VETS 5032 Equine Medicine and Surgery 5B
5 credit points. Prof. David Hodgson. Semester: 2. Classes: 8 lectures, 18 hours of case-based tutorials/seminars and 27 hours of practical classes. Prerequisite: VETS 5031 Equine Medicine and Surgery 5A.

Assessment: Viva voce examination in aspects of equine surgery and medicine including reproduction and anaesthesia. The course involves lectures in equine reproduction with complementary practical classes in this discipline. This component of the course covers reproductive management of horses. Emphasis is placed on management of both the individual animal (broodmare and stallion) and also horses as members of a herd. Practical classes will involve demonstration and practical experience in the evaluation of reproductive status in the mare and stallion. Aspects of equine anaesthesia will be provided by provision of practical classes in this discipline. A series of seminars/tutorials reviewing relevant aspects of the curriculum will be provided as part of this course also. Equine surgery and medicine 5B is designed to augment the experience in equine practice garnered by students undertaking Clinical Practice 5A and B and extra-mural practical work.

Textbooks

VETS 5017 Essay

Students must satisfactorily complete an essay during the undergraduate course. The latest time acceptable for nomination and Faculty approval of the topic is the Friday before the mid-semester break in July Semester of fourth year. Essays must be typewritten and submitted by the Friday of the first week of July Semester in fifth year. However, earlier submission is recommended. Guidelines for the essay are available from the Faculty Office.

VETS 5016 Pig Health and Production
3 credit points. Assoc Prof Robert Love. Semester: 1. Classes: 33 lectures and 44 hours of practical classes. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 4. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: 2 hour examination and a practical examination (10%). The lectures are presented in a sequence following the three phases of production: reproduction, birth to weaning and weaning to marketing. The aim of the lectures is to highlight the common problems of pig medicine and production. Practical classes are aimed at providing the necessary understanding and skills for pig practice.

The emphasis of the unit of study is on managing endemic disease and preventive medicine. Welfare of intensively housed pigs is also given consideration.

Textbooks

VETS 5009 Sheep Health and Production
6 credit points. Semester: 2. Classes: 30 lectures and 60 hours of practical classes. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 4. Permit from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: One 3 hour examination plus continuous assessments in practical classes.

The unit of study aims to develop skills and knowledge appropriate for a rural practitioner dealing with the common disease conditions on commercial sheep farms and with controlled breeding programs. Strong emphasis is placed on disease management of flocks rather than individual animals and
preventive medicine in an economic context rather than therapy of affected animals.

Nutrition: nutrient content of natural and improved pastures, strategies of supplementary feeding, use of computers in formulating nutritional advice. Reproduction: disorders of reproduction and methods of investigating poor reproductive performance, control of reproduction, artificial breeding, collection, evaluation, handling and preservation of semen, multiple ovulation and embryo transfer including the preparation of donors and recipients and the evaluation and handling of embryos. Genetics: application to commercial sheep production and to evaluation of controlled breeding strategies. Disease management: epidemiology and preventive medicine of internal and external parasites; diagnosis, control and, where appropriate, eradication of diseases from individual flocks; integration of animal health management with optimal farm management procedures.

VETS 5018 Special Medicine
1 credit point. Dr Robert Dixon. Semester: 2. Classes: Estimate - 25 lectures. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1 to 4. Permission from Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW to perform acts of veterinary science (a payment of $25 to be made to Faculty Office by each student in semester 1, 2002). Assessment: The assessment will be 30% assignment mark and 70% formal examination.

There are two parts to this unit of study which comprises lectures, tutorials and assignments.

1. Clinical toxicology: the important toxicological disorders of ruminants, horses and pigs are presented with the emphasis on clinical signs, necropsy findings and epidemiology.

2. Exotic diseases: diseases which represent an external threat to the livestock industries of Australia are covered. Aspects studied include not only clinical and necropsy findings of the significant diseases but also quarantine and the responsibilities of veterinarians in an animal disease emergency.

VETS 5004 Veterinary Public Health

There are four components of this unit of study - principles of epidemiology, food quality and hygiene, the zoonoses and the legal and ethical bases of veterinary work. The objective is to make undergraduates aware of their potential for contributing directly to human welfare through controlling diseases of animals transmissible to people and through provision of high quality food. Understanding the obligations imposed by the community through acts and regulations and the self-imposed obligations arising from membership of a learned profession is an essential outcome of the unit of study.

Textbooks

Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) units of study

VETS 4042 Veterinary Research A
24 credit points. Dr Glenn Shea. Semester: 1. Classes: No lectures or other classes. Prerequisite: Veterinary Science Years 1, 2 and 3 or 1, 2, 3 and 4. Corequisite: VETS 4043. Assessment: Thesis, oral presentation and oral examination.

NB: Permission required for enrolment.

In this unit students undertake a period of supervised research in a topic in Veterinary Science.

VETS 4043 Veterinary Research B
24 credit points. Dr Glenn Shea. Semester: 2. Classes: No lectures or other classes. Prerequisite: VETS 4042 Veterinary Research A. Assessment: Thesis, oral presentation and oral examination.

NB: Permission required for enrolment.

This unit of study is a continuation of VETS 4042.
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5 Regulations

[Subject to Senate approval]

1. Constitution of the Faculty of Veterinary Science

The Faculty of Veterinary Science shall comprise the following persons:

(a) the academic staff at levels A, B, C, D and E, being full-time or fractional (50% or greater) members of the tenured, tenurable and fixed term teaching staff within the Faculty;
(b) the Heads of the School of Chemistry and the Head of the Department of Crop Sciences, or one full-time tenured member of the academic staff of each of these units nominated by the Head of that unit;
(c) Deans of non-veterinary faculties in the College of Sciences and Technology;
(d) the Directors of Laboratory Animal Services and the Properties and Investments Office and the Coordinator, Library Services (Life Sciences);
(e) up to three persons distinguished in the field of Veterinary Science appointed by the Faculty on the nomination of the Dean of the Faculty;
(f) up to three students (two undergraduates and one postgraduate) elected in the manner prescribed by resolution of the Senate;
(g) up to four members of the general staff elected by the general staff in the manner laid down by the Faculty;
(h) one nominee from each of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists and the Australian Veterinary Association;
(i) the Directors of the Postgraduate Foundation in Veterinary Science, the Dairy Research Foundation, the Poultry Research Foundation and the Veterinary Science Foundation;
(j) the research staff of the Faculty, being full-time or fractional (50% or greater), holding the position of Research Fellow or above;
(k) Senior Registrars and Registrars, being full-time or fractional (50% or greater) employed in the University Veterinary Centres at Camden and Sydney;
(l) persons holding Adjunct or Clinical titles within the Faculty; and
(m) any other persons appointed by the Senate on the nomination of the Dean of the Faculty and with the approval of the Faculty and the Academic Board.

2. All nominees to the Faculty shall be appointed triennially.

2. Degrees and diplomas in the Faculty of Veterinary Science

1. The degrees in the Faculty of Veterinary Science shall be:

(a) Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc)
(b) Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) (BSc (Vet))
(c) Master of Veterinary Science (M VetSc)
(d) Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies (MVetClinStud)
(e) Master of Science in Veterinary Science (MSc VetSc)
(f) Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
(g) Doctor of Veterinary Science (DVSc).

2. The diplomas in the Faculty of Veterinary Science shall be:

(a) Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Clinical Studies (Grad Dip VetClinStud)
(b) Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Science (Grad Dip VetSc).

Bachelor of Veterinary Science, BVSc

The requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science are set out in the resolutions of the Senate of the University.

1. Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science shall complete the following units of study:

(i) In the first year
   - Animal Husbandry 1A
   - Animal Husbandry 1B
   - Chemistry
Awards of honours

Prospective candidates are therefore encouraged to begin their studies for the BVSc course should consult potential supervisors and the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) and other members of staff will be able to provide advice on this point.

Students wishing to be considered for enrolment for the BSc(Vet) course should consult potential supervisors and the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) and should lodge an application for enrolment with the Faculty Office. It is necessary to have all the arrangements completed well before applying to enrol, preferably before the annual examinations for the BVSc.

Prospective candidates are therefore encouraged to begin their consultation with staff early in July semester.

The purpose of the course is principally to impart experience and skills in scientific research. Candidates will gain experience in experimentation and in the oral and written presentation of scientific results. The development of these skills will be assessed in four ways. Firstly, each candidate, after consultation with his or her supervisor and after appropriate study of the literature, will give a short, informal, small group seminar to outline the proposed research project. This seminar enables helpful comments and suggestions to be incorporated into the research plan. Secondly, after the research has been completed, candidates will give a further seminar to present the results and conclusions of their work. Thirdly, a written account of the research, in the form of a dissertation, and including an executive summary of 5 pages maximum as part of the thesis, should be lodged in the Faculty Office by a given date between late October and the end of November in the year in which the work is done. Fourthly, submission will normally disqualify a candidate from consideration for First Class Honours for the award of the BSc(Vet) degree. The executive summary is to be sufficiently informative to reflect the research planning, procedures and outcomes of the research conducted by the candidate.

### Bachelor of Science (Veterinary), BSc(Vet)

The opportunity exists for suitably qualified students who have completed three or more years of the B VSc course to interrupt their formal studies for one year to take part in the research of the Faculty and work for the BSc(Vet) course. Many students have done so and have found the experience enjoyable and rewarding. Candidates for the BSc(Vet) are supervised by a member of the Faculty.

A wide range of research is undertaken in the Faculty and it would not be difficult for most students to find an area of interest. However it is essential to have had adequate prerequisite training in the scientific field chosen for advanced study. Insufficient training may preclude enrolment in some areas. The Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) and other members of staff will be able to provide advice on this point.

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The dissertation will be assessed by two examiners who will each submit a written report and a mark for assessment of the thesis, to the Faculty office. The executive summary will be examined by the Associate Dean for Research, Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet), and members of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee. The fourth assessment process constitutes a viva voce examination. The panel for the viva voce examination will include the Associate Dean for Research, Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet), the principal supervisor of the candidate and 1 member of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee. The panel will examine the candidate on research skills acquired during the degree rather than technical content. The panel will also have access to referees reports from the 2 examiners. The supervisor will be permitted to clarify technical issues and procedural issues relevant to the work conducted by the candidate. The supervisor will also contribute to the assessment of the viva voce examination.

These four assessments are intended only not to evaluate the standard of achievement but also to provide students with additional opportunities to learn the various skills of presentation of the results of scientific research.

The dissertation represents 50%, executive summary 10%, the viva voce examination 30%, and the final seminar 10% of the marks for the assessment for the award of the degree. If the dissertation is submitted by the due date, it is possible for successful candidates to receive the degree at the graduation ceremony in December.

The grades for the award of honours in the BSc(Vet) course comply with Academic Policy 218. The grades are:

- **First Class**: 80-100
- **Second Class/Division 1**: 75-79
- **Second Class/Division 2**: 70-74
- **Third Class**: 65-69

Honours not awarded: less than 65

A list of some recent projects is given below as a guide to some of the areas in which candidates have worked. Areas of possible candidate change regularly and intending candidates are advised to consult with the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) and other staff. The resolutions of the Senate and the Faculty concerning the degree follow.

Recent projects have included: 'Applied surgical anatomy: anatomical barriers; oncological surgery', 'EMC vaccine trial at Taronga and Western Plains Zoos', 'Feline endocrinology: Mechanisms of insulin resistance in cats', 'Impact of common wombat, *Vombatus ursinus*, on agricultural ecosystems', 'Measurement of salivary faecal and serum costisol and oestradiol in 5 western lowland gorillas and 5 orangutans at Taronga Zoo'.

### Resolutions of the Senate

- 1. Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science who (a) have completed not less than three years of candidature for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science, and (b) are considered to be suitable candidates for advanced work, may be permitted by the Faculty to interrupt their candidature for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science for not more than one academic year to undertake an approved course of advanced study and research as a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Veterinary).
- 2. The course of advanced study and research shall be in a field of scientific investigation for which adequate prerequisite training has been obtained and for which appropriate supervision and facilities are available.
- 3. Applications for admission to candidature for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) may be approved by the Dean.
- 4. Each candidate shall be supervised by a member of Faculty and, if it is considered appropriate to the field of the work, by one or more associate supervisors as well.
- 5. Assessment and examination for the award of the degree shall be by dissertation, including a 5-page executive summary for additional examination, oral examination and presentation of seminars.
6. A candidature may be terminated at any time by the Dean if, in the opinion of the supervisor and the Associate Dean, Research, acting on advice from the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet), the candidate’s work is unsatisfactory.

Resolutions of the Faculty

1. The responsibility for supervision of the procedures and implementation of policies concerned with the degree will lie with the Associate Dean, for Research, and Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet), who will act and report to the Dean and, if requested, to the Faculty.

2. The minimum acceptable qualifications for the supervisor of a candidate for the degree is an appropriate higher degree.

3. In response to an application for candidature, the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) will, in consultation with the candidate, and the proposed supervisor, ensure that the Faculty’s requirements are satisfied in respect of:
   (a) eligibility of the candidate;
   (b) the proposed field of study;
   (c) prerequisite training;
   (d) appropriate supervision;
   (e) the adequacy of other resources; and
   (f) the proposed date of examination.

4. Recommendations for approval of each candidature will be made by the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) through the Associate Dean, Research to the Dean in a report describing:
   (a) the name of the candidate;
   (b) the field of study;
   (c) the nominated supervisor and, if applicable, the associate supervisor(s);
   (d) where the work will be undertaken; and
   (e) any special circumstances surrounding the candidature.

5. The Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) will, in respect of all candidatures,
   (a) maintain an overview of the examinations of all candidates;
   (b) organise the implementation of the Faculty’s policies on examination of candidates;
   (c) maintain an overview of the standards achieved and the grades awarded in examinations; and
   (d) report, to the Board of Examiners, the grades awarded to all candidates.

6. The assessment and examination procedures are defined as follows:
   (a) Each candidate, in the presence of one or more members of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee, shall give an introductory seminar which outlines the program of study and research.
   (b) Each candidate, in the presence of one or more members of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee, shall give an open seminar at the end of the program to present the results of the research. An assessment of the seminar would normally be given by the members of the Committee who attend.
   (c) A dissertation of appropriate style containing an account of the results and conclusions of the program of study should normally be lodged in the year in which the work for the degree is undertaken by a date in late October or November, nominated by the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet) and approved by the Associate Dean, Research. Late submission will normally disqualify a candidate from consideration for Honours First Class for the BSc(Vet) degree. The dissertation must be in a form approved by Faculty and must be no longer than 100 A4 pages overall.
   (d) The thesis is to include an executive summary of 5 pages maximum. The summary is to be sufficiently informative to reflect the research planning, procedures and outcomes of the research conducted by the candidate.
   (e) The dissertation shall be examined by two examiners, neither of whom should normally be a supervisor of the candidate.
   (f) The executive summary shall be examined by the Associate Dean, Research, Sub-Dean BSc(Vet), and other members of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee. Each examiner will make an independent assessment and a combined mark from all examiners will constitute the mark for this written component of the degree.
   (g) Each candidate shall be examined on the topic of the dissertation at a viva voce examination conducted by a panel including the Associate Dean, Research, Sub Dean for BSc(Vet), the principal supervisor of the candidate and 1 member of the Postgraduate Education and Research Training Committee. The panel will examine the candidate on research skills acquired during the degree rather than technical content. The panel will also have access to referees reports from the 2 theses examiners. The supervisor will be permitted to clarify technical issues and procedural issues relevant to the work conducted by the candidate. The supervisor will also contribute to the assessment of viva voce examination.
   (h) The dissertation examiners shall separately write reports giving their assessment of the dissertation including a report no less than 1 page, detailing strengths and weaknesses of the dissertation, and an assessment mark. The examiners make separate recommendations to the Sub-Dean for BSc(Vet).
   (i) The dissertation is to represent 50%, the viva voce examination 30%, the mark for executive summary 10%, and the assessment of the final seminar 10% of the total assessment for the award of the degree.

The recommendations of the examiners will normally be considered by the Board of Examiners at the December meeting of the year in which the candidate is enrolled.

8. If a grade is less than 50%, the degree will not be awarded.

9. Matters of policy concerning the degree are to be determined by the Faculty with such advice as it may wish to seek from time to time.

10. Candidates working outside the Faculty, in departments with guidelines and requirements for science Honours or BSc(Med) students, should follow where possible such departmental requirements, except where these conflict with the regulations for the BSc(Vet) degree.

Regulations

Discontinuation of enrolment and re-enrolment after discontinuation - undergraduate

All faculties, colleges and boards of studies

1. A candidate for a degree of bachelor who ceases attendance at classes must apply to the faculty, college board or board of studies concerned and will be presumed to have discontinued enrolment from the date of that application, unless evidence is produced: (i) that the discontinuation occurred at an earlier date; and (ii) that there was good reason why the application could not be made at the earlier time.

2. A candidate for a degree of bachelor who at any time during the first year of attendance discontinues enrolment in all courses shall not be entitled to re-enrol for that degree unless the faculty, college board or board of studies concerned has granted prior permission to re-enrol or the person is reselected for admission to candidature for that degree.

3. Subject to paragraphs (i) and (ii) of section 1, no candidate for a degree of bachelor may discontinue enrolment in a course or the study in that year unless the faculty, college board or board of studies concerned decides otherwise.

Withdrawal from full-year and first semester courses

5. A candidate for a degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a full-year or first semester course on or before 30 March in that year shall be recorded as having withdrawn from that course.

Withdrawal from second semester courses

6. A candidate for a degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a second semester course on or before 30 August in that year shall be recorded as having withdrawn from that course.

All faculties, colleges and boards of studies except the Faculty of Engineering

Discontinuation

7. (1) A discontinuation of enrolment in a course shall be recorded as ‘Discontinued - not to count as failure’ when the discontinuation occurs after the relevant withdrawal period and
   (a) on or before the Friday of the first week of second semester for a full-year course, or
   (b) up to the last day of the seventh week of teaching in a one-semester course.
(2) A discontinuation of enrolment in a course shall be recorded as 'Discontinued - fail' when the discontinuation occurs:
(a) after the Friday of the first week of second semester for a full-year course, or
(b) after the last day of the seventh week of teaching in a one semester course.
(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2) the dean, pro-dean or sub-dean of the faculty, director or deputy director of the college or chairperson of the board of studies concerned may determine that a discontinuation of enrolment should be recorded as 'Discontinued - not to count as failure' on the grounds of serious ill-health or misadventure.

Discontinuation of enrolment and readmission after discontinuation - postgraduate

All faculties, colleges, boards of studies and graduate schools - all candidates

1. A candidate will be presumed to have discontinued enrolment in a course, degree or diploma from the date of application to the faculty, college board, board of studies or graduate school concerned, unless evidence is produced (i) that the discontinuation occurred at an earlier date, and (ii) that there was good reason why the application could not be made at the earlier time.

2. A candidate who at any time discontinues enrolment from a degree or diploma shall not be entitled to re-enroll in that degree or diploma unless the candidate is readmitted to the faculty, college, board of studies or graduate school in the administration of these resolutions.

3. Subject to paragraphs (i) and (ii) of section 1, candidates may not discontinue enrolment in a course after the end of classes in that course, unless the degree or diploma regulations permit otherwise.

4. The dean, pro-dean, associate-dean or a sub-dean of a faculty, director or deputy director of a college, chairperson of a board of studies or a chairperson of a graduate school may act on behalf of that faculty, college, board of studies or graduate school in the administration of these resolutions.

Candidates proceeding mainly by coursework

Withdrawal from full-year and first semester courses

5. A candidate for a degree or diploma who discontinues enrolment in a full-year or first semester course on or before 30 March in that year, shall be recorded as withdrawn from that course.

Withdrawal from second semester courses

6. A candidate for a degree or diploma who discontinues enrolment in a second semester course on or before 30 August in that year, shall be recorded as withdrawn from that course.

Discontinuation

1. A candidate for a degree or diploma who discontinues enrolment in a course after the withdrawal period but before the end of classes in that course, shall be recorded as 'Discontinued - not to count as failure' in that course, unless the degree or diploma regulations permit otherwise.

Candidates proceeding mainly by thesis

Withdrawal

8. A candidate who discontinues enrolment in a course or degree before the end of the fifth week of enrolment, shall be recorded as having withdrawn from that course or degree.

Discontinuation

9. A candidate who discontinues enrolment in a course or degree after the end of the fifth week of enrolment shall be recorded as 'Discontinued - fail'.

Restriction upon re-enrolment

There are certain circumstances in which you could be asked to show good cause why you should be permitted to repeat any previously attempted study. Liability for exclusion from re-enrolment is determined by academic attainment during the period of study. The resolution of the Senate concerning re-enrolment may be found in the University's Calendar, Vol. I: Statutes and Regulations. You should acquaint yourself with the resolutions relating to the studies in which you are enrolled. If you are in any doubt about your liability for exclusion following academic failure or discontinuation of courses you should seek advice from the Faculty Office.

It is not possible to define in advance all the reasons that constitute 'good cause' but serious ill health, or misadventure properly attested, will be considered. In addition your general record, for example in other courses, would be taken into account. In particular if you were transferring from another faculty your record in your previous faculty would be considered. Not usually acceptable as good cause are such matters as demands of employers, pressure of employment, time devoted to non-university activities and so on, except as they may be relevant to any serious ill health or misadventure.

Assessment

Timetables for examinations

Draft timetables are displayed on the University Intranet at intranet.usyd.edu.au, approximately 3 to 4 weeks before the commencement of examinations. Limited copies of the timetable will also be available in a hard copy format at the Student Centre. Enquiries about these may be made at the Student Centre. Printed copies of the final timetables will be available from the Student Centre and at the University farms.

Study vacation

A break after lectures at the end of each semester is set aside for examination study and preparation. The 2002 Semester 1 study break will extend between Monday 17 June and Friday 21 June. The semester 2 break will begin on Monday the 11 November and continue through to Friday 15 November.

Notification of examination results

The results of annual examinations are available through the University Intranet by accessing the MyUni system at intranet.usyd.edu.au. Results are also posted through the mail service directly to you at the end of each semester. Results will no longer be posted on the notice boards outside the Student Centre.

Disclosure of examination marks

Final marks will appear on your annual result notice. Marks may also be obtained from your faculty for the minor components of assessment which make up the final marks. You are entitled to information about any details of the assessment procedures used to determine the final result.

Your examination scripts and any other assessment material may be retrieved within a reasonable time after the completion of assessment in each unit of study. This does not apply to examination papers that involve the repeated use of the same material in successive examinations.

The NSW Freedom of Information Act ensures that students may, upon request, obtain a copy of their examination scripts or any other written answers to examinations questions. This is provided that (a) the request is made within six months of the release of the results of the examinations and (b) the examination involved was not a confidential examination paper.

Further tests

Students awarded an incomplete (M INC or INC) grade need to undertake a further test in order to pass the unit of study. Students in this category will be advised of the availability of a further test. Further tests will be organised and scheduled by the unit of study coordinator concerned.

If you miss an examination

You are not automatically entitled to any special consideration should you miss an examination. However, should that occur you should report immediately to the Examinations Office (at the Student Centre, Carslaw Building) to see if any arrangements can be made.

Students with disabilities, medical conditions or injuries

Students with a disability, including serious medical condition, or recent injury, which puts them at a disadvantage during examinations should contact the Disability Services Office, Level 7, Education Building, Manning Road. Phone (02) 9351 4554, fax (02) 93517055.

If appropriate, special arrangements can be made to meet particular requirements.

Illness and misadventure - 'Special Consideration' regarding examinations

(Please contact the Faculty Office for full details of application procedure.)

Your attention is drawn to the following resolutions of the Academic Board:

'Any student who desires special consideration by any Board of Examiners on the grounds of illness or misadventure must
forward evidence of such to the Registrar before the commencement of the examination period concerned, unless the illness or injury takes place during the currency of the examinations, in which case title evidence must be forwarded as soon as is practicable, and not later than the last day of the examination timetable.

In the case of illness, the request must be accompanied by a medical certificate signed by the student's medical practitioner. Such certificates should:
(a) describe the nature of the student's illness;
(b) indicate the degree of incapacity of the student and its duration or probable duration;
(c) indicate the date[s] on which the student sought attention.

A Special Consideration form is available from the Student Centre or from the University Health Service. A Special Consideration form is also available from the Faculty Office. All forms **must** be lodged at the Student Centre.

Students who become ill immediately before or during an examination should notify an examination's supervisor who will arrange an escort to the University Health Service where they will be seen by a medical practitioner and where they may, if appropriate, continue their examination.

Should you find it embarrassing to state your difficulties in writing you should arrange an interview with the Associate Dean, Teaching and Learning, of the Faculty.

**The need to seek early advice**
Many students in need of advice fail to make full use of the assistance available to them. If you believe that your performance during a unit of study, or your preparation for your examinations, has been adversely affected by medical, psychological or family circumstances, you should seek advice as early as possible. Members of the teaching staff, of the University Counselling Service, and of the University Health Service, are available for consultation and can give advice on appropriate action to take.

**Faculty policy on plagiarism**
Plagiarism can be broadly defined as knowingly presenting another person's ideas, findings or written work as one's own by copying or reproducing them without due acknowledgment of the source. Plagiarism may involve copying the work of another student, or it may involve paraphrasing or copying a published author's text or argument without giving a reference. At its worst, plagiarism is theft.

If plagiarism is detected during assessments of submitted material, the student or group of students will fail the relevant assessment task. Plagiarism may result in failure of the unit of study or no award of the degree. All such decisions are subject to review by the Dean.
The higher degrees in the Faculty of Veterinary Science are:

- GradDipVetClinStud - Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Clinical Studies
- GradDipVetClinSc - Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Science
- MScVetSc - Master of Science in Veterinary Science
- MVSc - Master of Veterinary Science
- MVetClinStud - Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies
- PhD - Doctor of Philosophy
- DVS - Doctor of Veterinary Science

The regulations covering the award of these degrees are printed in the University’s Calendar, Vol. I: Statutes and Regulations. Prospective candidates should consult with the Postgraduate Coordinator most closely concerned before submitting an application for admission to candidature.

The following statements summarise only portions of the by-laws and resolutions of the Senate governing the award of these degrees.

**Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Clinical Studies**

Persons holding the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science from the University of Sydney (or equivalent), which is registrable by the Board of Veterinary Surgeons of NSW, may apply for admission to candidature for the Diploma in Veterinary Clinical Studies.

A candidate for this diploma shall pursue, as a full-time student, such units of study as the Faculty, on the recommendation of the Head of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, shall prescribe for not less than one year. Assessment is by satisfactory completion of course, practical work and examinations, as prescribed by the Faculty.

**Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Science**

The Diploma course will provide formal theoretical and practical instruction in veterinary medicine, veterinary surgery and veterinary public health concerned with companion and farm animals and veterinary aspects of animal production. The Diploma course may also include, according to individual needs, instruction in scientific methods and supervised study in supporting disciplines in veterinary anatomy, veterinary physiology, veterinary pathology, infectious diseases, pharmacology and toxicology, animal husbandry, nutrition, applied reproduction and genetics.

The prescribed practical experience will include up to 800 hours of clinical rotation in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital and the Rural Veterinary Centre. Additional practical training of up to 14 weeks will also be required including private veterinary practices. NSW Agriculture, Commonwealth Department of Primary Industry and Energy and relevant industries selected according to the needs of the individual.

Entry requires candidates to:

- be eligible to practise as a veterinarian in a country other than Australia and,
- have submitted evidence of general and professional qualifications and experience to satisfy the Faculty of Veterinary Science that the applicant possesses the educational preparation and capacity to pursue studies for the diploma, has the appropriate time available and meets any additional requirements for admission that may be prescribed by the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

**Graduate Certificate In Applied Science - Wildlife Health and Population Management**

(0ffered in conjunction with, and administered by, the Faculty of Science, phone (02) 9351 5397)

Entry requires a bachelor's degree in science or veterinary science. All prospective students must contact the program chairs (see above) directly for detailed instructions concerning applications and advice about eligibility.

**Graduate Diploma In Applied Science - Wildlife Health and Population Management**

(0ffered in conjunction with, and administered by, the Faculty of Science, phone (02) 9351 5397)

Entry requires a bachelor's degree in science or veterinary science. All prospective students must contact the program chairs (see above) directly for detailed instructions concerning applications and advice about eligibility.

**Master of Science in Veterinary Science**

Persons holding a Bachelor's degree with honours first or second class may apply for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Science in Veterinary Science. Applicants holding the degree of bachelor of The University of Sydney without honours but who have completed work equivalent to a degree of bachelor with honours or who have passed a preliminary examination or examinations as prescribed by the Faculty may be accepted as candidates.

A candidate for this degree shall complete such units of study as are prescribed by the head of the department concerned and carry out research under the guidance of a supervisor for not less than one year. A thesis must be submitted, embodying the results of this research.

**Master of Veterinary Science**

Persons holding the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science may apply for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Veterinary Science. Graduates in veterinary science from other universities may also, with the approval of the Faculty and the Academic Board, be admitted as candidates.

A candidate for this degree shall pursue a course of advanced study and research under the guidance of an adviser or supervisor for not less than one year and submit a thesis embodying the results of his or her investigation.

**Master of Applied Science - Wildlife Health and Population Management**

(0ffered in conjunction with, and administered by, the Faculty of Science, phone (02) 9351 5397)

Entry requires a Graduate Certificate in Applied Science (Wildlife Health and Population Management) or a bachelor's degree in science or vet science. All prospective students must contact the program chairs (see above) directly for detailed instructions concerning.

**Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies**

Persons holding the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science may apply for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies. Graduates in veterinary science from other universities may also, with the approval of the Faculty and the Academic Board, be admitted as candidates. Candidates shall be registrable by the Board of Veterinary Surgeons of New South Wales, unless exempted by the Faculty.

A candidate for this degree shall, for at least two years, engage in full-time supervised advanced veterinary clinical study and research and submit a thesis embodying the results of an original investigation.

**Doctor of Philosophy**

Graduates who hold the degree of Master of Veterinary Science, Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies, Master of Science in Veterinary Science or Bachelor of Veterinary Science with Honours may apply for admission as candidates for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

Applicants not having an honours degree may be accepted as candidates after passing a qualifying examination. Graduates of other universities may also be admitted as candidates provided that their qualifications satisfy the Academic Board of The University of Sydney.

The degree may be taken on either a full-time or part-time basis.
In the case of full-time candidates, the minimum period of candidature is two years for candidates holding a master's degree or equivalent, or three years in the case of those holding a bachelor's degree with first class or second class honours. The maximum period of candidature is normally five years. Part-time candidature may be approved for applicants who can demonstrate that they are engaged in an occupation or other activity which leaves them substantially free to pursue their candidature for the degree. Normally the minimum period of candidature will be determined on the recommendation of the Faculty but in any case will not be less than three years; the maximum period of candidature is normally seven years.

**Doctor of Veterinary Science**

The degree of Doctor of Veterinary Science is not conferred until the candidate is a graduate of eight years' standing from the degree that qualified him or her for candidature. The degree is awarded for published work that is recognised by scholars as a distinguished contribution to knowledge.

### Postgraduate scholarships

#### Faculty Scholarships

These awards are similar to APAs but are funded by the Faculty. Applicants for APAs are automatically considered for all available Faculty scholarships.

The table of scholarships listed below is a summary only. For further information contact the Scholarships Office.

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2. **Other awards open to Veterinary Science postgraduates**

(a) **Tenable at the University of Sydney**

Australian Postgraduate Awards (APA) 17 267 pa October Open to citizens and permanent residents of Australia for higher degree by research

University of Sydney Postgraduate Award (UPA) equiv to APA October Similar to APA

(b) **Travelling scholarships**

Harriett Beard Scholarship up to 15 500 March Postgraduate study and research in physical sciences - engineering, veterinary science and dentistry

Boulton Postgraduate Scholarship up to 15 500 March Postgraduate study or research for graduates educated within the Australian public educational system

CG Heydon Travelling Fellowship up to 15 500 March Postgraduate study or research in biological sciences at overseas institutions

William and Catherine McHRath Scholarship 25 000 March Postgraduate study or Scholarship research overseas

JB Watt Travelling Scholarship up to 15 500 March Postgraduate study or research overseas

Eleanor Sophia Wood Postgraduate Scholarship up to 15 500 March Postgraduate study or research overseas

(c) **Grants-in-aid restricted to Veterinary Science postgraduates**

Sir Ian Clunies Ross Scholarship up to 500 End February Postgraduate candidature related to research in the wool industry

NPH Graham Scholarship up to 500 End February Postgraduate candidature related to research in sheep medicine

Goldia and Susie Lesue Scholarship up to 3000 End February Postgraduate candidature in the area of Veterinary Clinical Sciences

Neil and Allie Lesue Scholarship up to 3000 End February Postgraduate candidature in the area of Veterinary Clinical Sciences

Eric Horatio Maclean Scholarships up to 1000 End February Postgraduate candidature

Stock and Meat Industries Grant-in-Aid up to 750 End February Postgraduate candidature in research related to the Stock and Meat Industries

(d) **Other grants-in-aid open to Veterinary Science postgraduates**

Royston George Booker Scholarships up to 1000 April Postgraduate study or research overseas

Herbert Johnson Travel Grants up to 1000 April Postgraduate study or research overseas

J Kentley Memorial Scholarship up to 1000 April Postgraduate study or research overseas

James King of Irrawang Travelling Scholarship up to 1000 April Postgraduate study or research overseas

GHS and IR Lightoller Scholarship up to 1000 April Postgraduate study or research overseas
7 Other Faculty information

■ Faculty Office
The Office of the Faculty of Veterinary Science is in the J.D. Stewart Building, in Room 218.
All enquiries in relation to matters specific to the Faculty should be made at this office in the first instance, including:
• enrolments in the Faculty,
• special information about admission to the Faculty,
• applications for credit for previous studies,
• facilities available in the Faculty, and
• other Faculty matters.

Timetables
Copies of the Faculty lecture timetables and location of theatres are available from the office prior to the commencement of each academic year. Copies are also displayed on the Faculty noticeboard.

Mail collection
There are pigeon-hole facilities for mail collection in the J.D. Stewart Building, and you are advised to check them regularly for any messages.

Lockers and change room facilities
Lockers may be hired. Change room facilities including hot showers are also available.

Photocopying
There is a coin-operated photocopier machine for student and staff use in the JD Stewart Building.

Faculty staff
Members of the teaching staff may be consulted throughout the academic year about any problems regarding the course.

■ General information and advice

In Orientation week, newly-enrolled first year students are introduced to the Faculty. There is a short ceremony in which the Dean, Sub-Dean Students, and the President of the Veterinary Student Association, welcome the students. This is followed by a tour of the Veterinary Science precinct and a barbecue. On the following day students visit the Camden campus and receive information on Faculty and University services and facilities.

Academic
For academic questions affecting courses of study you should see the appropriate faculty or college office, or for questions on course content, see the lecturer concerned.

Advanced Standing
The following policy applies when requesting advanced standing into the new curriculum:
• Students from equivalent degree programs be admitted to the Faculty of Veterinary Science with exemptions for completed equivalent units of study.
• Admissions be restricted by existing faculty quotas where the maximum enrolment in any unit of study is 120 students. Admissions would also need to comply with faculty sub-quotas (HECS and DETYA) and VETYSA quotas on local fee paying students.
• Students be admitted to both February and July commencing semesters.

Learning Assistance Centre
The Learning Assistance Centre offers help to all students of the University who wish to develop their learning skills and their use of the English language to carry out their university studies.

Noticeboards
The main Faculty noticeboards are in the ground-floor corridor of the JD Stewart Building.
Current information about timetable changes, course announcements, tutorials, practical work, term tests, essays and recommended books is posted on faculty, college and departmental noticeboards. These noticeboards should be consulted regularly.
Special enrolment information
These are the special requirements for Veterinary Science students only:

First year science courses
Students in first year will be allotted to particular chemistry practical classes. The lists indicating these classes sections will be displayed outside the relevant laboratories before the beginning of the semester.

Attendance at lectures, and leave of absence
Attendance at lectures and such other classes as are prescribed for individual courses is compulsory. If for good reason you are unable to attend classes you should apply for leave of absence. In the case of illness your letter of application should be accompanied by a certificate from a registered medical practitioner.

If you are absent from more than 10% of classes you may be refused permission to take the examinations.

Appeals against grades
Students who wish to appeal against a mark or grade in a unit of study should complete Examination Grades Appeal Form, available at the Faculty Office.

Discontinuation
If you are contemplating discontinuing you should consult the Sub-Dean for students or a student counsellor before you commit yourself to a decision.

If you are enrolled in a course for a degree in the Faculty of Veterinary Science and, without permission of the Faculty, you discontinue a year or a full-year unit of study after the last day of the first week of July semester, or discontinue one-semester unit after the last day of the seventh week of teaching, you will be deemed to have failed such year or unit. (See page ii in the front of this handbook.)

The University’s regulations governing ‘Discontinuation, Exclusion and Suspension of Candidature’ are available at www.usyd.edu.au/su/planning/policy/acad/aca-pol.html.

Students re-enrolling after absence
If you were previously enrolled (even if you discontinued all units of study during the past year and were given ‘repeat’ status) and are eligible to re-enrol in the same degree or diploma course, you are required to lodge an Application for Re-enrolment by the specified date in the preceding year at the Student Centre. An Application for Re-enrolment form is available from the Student Centre or Faculty Office. Should your application be approved, you must complete your enrolment in accordance with the instructions included in the letter of approval to enrol.

If you have been enrolled in the course for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science but have not re-enrolled for a period of one year or more, you must complete the requirements for the degree under such conditions as the Faculty may determine.

Academic dress
Members of the University appear in their academic dress on public occasions convened for academic purposes.

Details on the ceremonial robes for all degrees of the University are given in a leaflet on academic dress available from the Student Centre. The particular requirements for the BVSc and BSc(Vet) degrees are as follows:

Bachelor of Veterinary Science - a gown similar to that worn by graduates holding the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the University of Oxford or of Cambridge, hood of black silk edged with amber and purple silk, black cloth trencher cap.

Bachelor of Science (Veterinary) - a gown similar to that worn by graduates holding the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the University of Oxford or of Cambridge, hood of black silk edged with purple and gold silk, black cloth trencher cap.

Financial assistance
The University has a number of loan and bursary funds to assist students who experience financial difficulties. This assistance is not intended to provide ongoing income support but it help in emergencies and to supplement other income.

For information about student allowances provided by the Commonwealth Government go to www.centrelink.gov.au.

Financial Assistance Office
Level 7, Education Bldg. A35
Phone: (02) 9351 2416
Fax: (02) 9351 7055
Email: fao@stusterv.usyd.edu.au
Veterinary Science Foundation

This Foundation was established in 1986 and has a proud record of achievement in raising funds for the Faculty of Veterinary Science. During the past 10 years it has raised nearly $10 million which has funded the purchase of the McMaster Laboratory and the construction of the 250 seat Veterinary Science Conference Centre, which also houses The University of Sydney Post Graduate Foundation in Veterinary Science.

The VSF has as its mission the promotion and support of the vital role of animals in Australian life through an ongoing, creative partnership with the Faculty of Veterinary Science. It aims to increase the public recognition of the importance of farm and companion animals, as well as our native fauna, and the essential role played by veterinarians in all aspects of animal care.

The affairs of the Foundation are conducted by a Council which is chaired by the President, Mr Dick Austen AO. Further information about the Foundation can be obtained from the Veterinary Science Foundation Office on (02) 9351 4888.

Undergraduate scholarships and prizes

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<td>Proficiency in Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology</td>
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<td>Plague</td>
<td>Proficiency in Veterinary Epidemiology</td>
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<td>Australian Small Animal Veterinary Association</td>
<td>$300 + medal + 2 yr membership</td>
<td>Proficiency in small animal medicine and surgery</td>
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<td>Australian Society for Parasitology</td>
<td>$400</td>
<td>Proficiency in 4th Year Veterinary Parasitology</td>
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<td>$80</td>
<td>Proficiency in Biochemistry and Veterinary Physiology I and II</td>
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<td>Australian Veterinary Association</td>
<td>$200</td>
<td>Proficiency in Veterinary Pathology</td>
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<td>Australian Veterinary Association</td>
<td>Certificate + 2 yr subscription</td>
<td>Student Award by recommendation of the Dean</td>
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<td>Australian Veterinarians in Public Health</td>
<td>$150 + certificate</td>
<td>For Excellence in Veterinary Public Health Studies</td>
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<td>Proficiency in 4th Year Veterinary Clinical Pathology</td>
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<td>Auxiliary to the Australian Veterinary Association (NSW Division) Prize for Third Year students</td>
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<td>Greatest improvement in 3rd Year after passing 2nd Year with an average mark of not more than 60%</td>
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<td>$150</td>
<td>Proficiency in 4th Year Animal Husbandry Practical Report</td>
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<td>HG Belschner</td>
<td>$100</td>
<td>Proficiency in 1st Year in sheep and wool</td>
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<td>Rex Butterfield Prize in Veterinary Anatomy</td>
<td>$50</td>
<td>Proficiency in 2nd Year in Veterinary Anatomy</td>
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<td>HR Carne Prize and Medal</td>
<td>$250 + medal</td>
<td>Proficiency in the examinations for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Veterinary)</td>
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<td>Cooper Australia Ltd</td>
<td>$225</td>
<td>Proficiency in 4th Year in Veterinary Parasitology</td>
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<td>Graham Edgar Scholarship</td>
<td>$1000</td>
<td>Proficiency in BS(Vet) Student Essay</td>
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<td>CW Emmens Prize in Veterinary Physiology</td>
<td>$100</td>
<td>Highest aggregate marks in 2nd and 3rd Year Veterinary Physiology in sequential year</td>
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<td>$50</td>
<td>Proficiency in 1st Year in horse husbandry</td>
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<td>RW Gee Animal Welfare</td>
<td>$2000</td>
<td>Final Year essay</td>
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<td>NPH Graham</td>
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<td>Proficiency in 5th Year in the sheep component of Veterinary Medicine</td>
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<td>$250</td>
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<td>KG Johnston</td>
<td>$150</td>
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<td>$150</td>
<td>Proficiency in Animal Behaviour and Welfare Science</td>
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<td>Case report in equine medicine or surgery in 4th or 5th Year</td>
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Facilities and student societies

The University of Sydney (Camden)

In 1954 the Australian Dairy Produce Board, the Australian Meat Board and the interdepartmental Committee on Wool Research gave The University of Sydney two farms, totalling 324 hectares, for the use of the Faculty of Veterinary Science. Since then, through additional bequests and by acquisition, the University now owns 1400 hectares of land in the Camden district. This, together with other property in the Moree and Marulan districts, comprises the University farms. All the farms are the responsibility of the Director of Properties and Investments. The Camden farms are grouped into three centres, all of which are about 65km from the main Sydney site and within easy access of the academic centre at Werombi Road. The farms are at Badgery's Creek, Bringelly and Cobbitty.

Academic developments at Camden

Most development is at the Corstorphine Centre. Land from the original gift of the industries boards has been set aside for use by two departments of the Faculty of Veterinary Science. The Department of Agronomy of the Faculty of Agriculture. The faculty departments with major responsibilities at Camden are Animal Science and Veterinary Clinical Sciences. These departments are based in the JL Shute Building on Werombi Road. They have several major teaching and research units on nearby areas of the Corstorphine Centre. The Department of Animal Science has developed laboratories and other facilities for research in dairy cattle, poultry, sheep and meat. The University Veterinary Centre, Camden, is a major component of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. It is a mixed practice, providing services to the district. This department has also established and maintains separate pig and deer units. The Equine Performance Laboratory is also based at Camden.

In 1981 the University acquired a farm at Cobbitty. Here the Faculty of Veterinary Science has a horse breeding unit, and the Department of Animal Science’s animal reproduction unit is also located at the same site.

Postgraduate training is a strong feature of the work of academic departments at Camden. Graduate students from Australia and overseas are engaged in research projects mostly concerned with primary industry disease and production problems. Some of their work entails the use of livestock on the University farms.

The University farms as a whole carry more than 400 milking cows and, with beef cattle and replacement stock, a total of more than 1200 cattle. They also carry about 2000 sheep, 30 horses, 80 deer, 2000 hens, 20 goats and 60 pigs. Almost all this stock is used in one way or another for teaching or research purposes, but in addition it produces a commercial income that defrays the basic costs associated with holding the farms and provides some funds for farm development, research and teaching.

The University farms at Camden are under the control of a director, who is responsible to the Vice-Chancellor. A Farms Advisory Committee advises the Vice-Chancellor on the role of the farms in teaching and research in the Faculties of Agriculture and Veterinary Science.

The Corstorphine Centre provides a base for a student academic faculty, and the student residence facilities included in the University Hall is the residence and student hall of residence for the University Veterinary Centre, Camden, the Shute Building, the Breakwell Building, the Poultry Research Centre, the M.C. Franklin Beef Research Centre and the Dairy Research unit. Further large animal research and teaching facilities are provided by the Department of Animal Science on May Farm, which is only 3km south of Corstorphine.

The Bringelly Farms Centre, 10km north of Corstorphine, provides extensive sheep, beef and dairy cattle facilities for the Departments of Veterinary Clinical Sciences and Animal Science. Its irrigation resources are being further developed and it is becoming increasingly important as a research-teaching resource for other University departments.

As well as providing basic land, water and animal resources for a wide range of teaching and research in different departments, the farms serve the plant and animal industries by frequently acting as commercial testing sites for new plants, new fertilisers, new vaccines and antibiotics and new whole-farm management systems.

The University Veterinary Centre, Camden, staffed by the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, in addition to offering a veterinary service for the district, provides clinical training for fifth year students.

Student usage of the farms takes two forms. In the first year, students take day excursions to the farms where they receive lectures and are given practice in animal handling and management. In fifth year they are in residence on the farms for the whole academic year as well as for a vacation period of three weeks working in the clinic.

In 1979 an additional livestock holding north of Marulan known as Artaruisleigh came to the University as part of the Eric Holt bequest. It now consists of about 7900 hectares and is being developed as a large-scale sheep-beef property.

Corstorphine

To reach Corstorphine from Sydney, take Hume Highway (not the freeway) to the Cobbitty turn-off, which is to the right, 20 km from the Liverpool Post Office. Follow the road through Cobbitty to the Nepean River, cross the bridge, turn left and travel another 800 metres. The phone numbers are: University of Sydney (Camden) (02) 9351 1622 University Veterinary Centre Camden (02) 9351 1777 Students (02) 9351 1678, (02) 9351 1681, (02) 9351 1682, (02) 9351 1683, (02) 9351 1684.

Nepean Hall

In 1964 Nepean Hall was established as a Hall of Residence on the University farms at Camden for final year Veterinary Science and Agriculture students.

Nepean Hall consists of two residential wings, which accommodate 85 students in furnished single study/bedrooms. Residence in the Hall is non-compulsory but there is a high demand for places. Fees are kept at the lowest possible level with full board set at $180 per week in 2002.

The Hall, with its spacious surrounds and panoramic views, offers a wide range of amenities including a recreational common room and music room, games rooms with table tennis, billiards and snooker, squash, tennis, football, recently completed gymnasium/sports pavilion, television and video equipment, barbecue and supper-making facilities. In addition, there is a library adjacent to the Hall and residents are permitted conditional access to it at night. There are four computers in the library for student use and about twenty computers in the Shute
building for the same purpose. All computers are linked to the web and all students are given an email address.

The management of Nepean Hall is vested in the Council consisting of:
(a) the Vice-Chancellor (ex officio) or nominee;
(b) the Warden of the Hall;
(c) the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science or nominee;
(d) the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture or nominee;
(e) one student elected annually by and from students in residence in Nepean Hall who are candidates for the award of a degree or diploma in the Faculty of Veterinary Science;
(f) one student elected annually by and from students in residence in Nepean Hall who are candidates for the award of a degree or diploma in the Faculty of Agriculture;
(g) two persons appointed by the Senate on the recommendation of the Council to hold office for three years from 1 January following their appointment;
(h) the Authorised Officer;
(i) the Professor of Animal Science and the Professor of Veterinary Clinical Sciences.

Day-to-day activities of the Hall are the responsibility of a committee elected by the residents.

Rules
The following rules apply to students while resident in the Hall.
1. A visitor shall leave at any time if requested by the Warden.
2. A member of the Hall who is a student who commits a breach of the constitution or the rules or a breach of discipline or misbehaves or herself in or out of the Hall:
   (a) may be fined by the Warden;
   (b) may be suspended from residence in or attendance at the Hall by the Warden for a period not exceeding one month;
   (c) may be suspended for any period by the Warden of the Hall or the Vice-Chancellor of the University;
   (d) may be fined by the Council or the Vice-Chancellor in any amount;
   (e) may incur any penalty in accordance with academic usage.

Appeals
Any person affected by a decision given under Rule 2 may appeal to the Council or the Vice-Chancellor in respect of any decision given by the Warden or any other person authorised with the by-laws of the University may impose.

Addresses
The University of Sydney (Camden),
425 Werombi Road (Private Mail Bag 3), Camden 2570, phone (02) 9351 1622, fax (02) 9351 1664.
University Veterinary Centre, Camden, 410 Werombi Road, Camden 2570, phone (02) 9351 1777, fax (02) 4655 1212.
Nepean Hall, 345 Werombi Road, Camden 2570, phone (02) 9351 1662, fax (02) 4655 1111.
Camden Library, Werombi Road, Camden 2570, phone (02) 9351 1627, fax (02) 4655 6719.
Horse Unit, 65 Cobbitty Road, Cobbitty 2570, phone (02) 4651 2568.
Landsdowne Farm, 74 Cobbitty Road, Camden 2570, phone (02) 4651 2328.
May Farm, May Farm Road, Mt Hunter, Camden 2570, phone (02) 4654 5239.
McGarvie Smith Animal Husbandry Farm, Elizabeth Drive, Badgery's Creek, 2171, phone (02) 4774 8184.
Plant Breeding Institute, 107 Cobbitty Road, Cobbitty 2570, phone (02) 9351 8800, fax (02) 9351 8875.
Wolverton Dairy Farm, Greendale Road, Bringelly 2171, phone (02) 4774 8013.
Veterinary Science Common Rooms

The object of the Veterinary Science Common Rooms is to provide a place to meet members of the teaching staff, postgraduates and other undergraduate students, and a place where they can meet other members of the University and visitors. Light meals and refreshments are available.

Publications

Centaur is an annual, illustrated journal of contributions from students edited by a student elected to the task. It covers the highlights of the year and is eagerly awaited by both students and advertisers. Contributions are actively sought throughout the year.

History of the Faculty

Veterinary education in New South Wales began in the 1880s when the Sydney Technical College established the two-year course of instruction, Elementary Veterinary Science. In 1899 the University of Sydney, with the support of the New South Wales Government, established a Veterinary School and appointed James Douglas Stewart, MRCVS, the Director and Professor. The School officially opened in 1910 when 16 students enrolled in the first year of a five-year course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science. Initially the students were accommodated in the basement of the then Fisher Library in the southwest corner of the Main Quadrangle, but towards the end of 1913 they were moved completely into the present main building (JD Stewart Building).

The First World War delayed the development of the School with many graduates and undergraduates volunteering for active service. Even after the war recovery of the School was slow and it took the full resources of Professor J.D. Stewart to justify the continuing existence of the Veterinary School. Gradually the numbers of enrolled students increased, while the graduates of the School enhanced its reputation. By 1928 there were 25 undergraduates, which increased to over 100 in 1935. In 1930 the Veterinary School of the University of Melbourne ceased its undergraduate training and Sydney became solely responsible for Veterinary training in Australia until the Queensland Veterinary School opened in 1936 and the Melbourne Veterinary School reopened in the 1960s.

In 1936 the University, in association with the McGarvie Smith Institute, purchased and developed a 160 hectare property at Badgery's Creek, to be used for the training of veterinary students in animal husbandry. The purchase coincided with the reintroduction, in 1937, of a five-year course of studies and training for the BVSc degree the course had been reduced to four years in 1914. In 1939 Professor Stewart retired. From the opening of the School he had been the Director, which he remained until 1920 when the Veterinary School was given full status as a faculty and he became Dean of Veterinary Science. It was his energy that had brought about the regulation of the practice of veterinary science in New South Wales with the passing of the Veterinary Surgeons Act in 1923. It was his drive that led to the growth of the Faculty until the Second World War.

With the temporary closure of the Queensland Veterinary School during the Second World War, Sydney once again became solely responsible for veterinary education in Australia. In 1939 extensions to the main buildings were added and in 1946 the temporary building for the Department of Veterinary Pathology and Bacteriology was constructed. In 1949 some temporary buildings were erected to provide further accommodation for the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. In 1954 additional farm facilities were acquired at Camden. The Camden farms provide final year students with animal units for the teaching of husbandry and disease control, and with a veterinary clinic and hospital, lecture theatres and teaching laboratories, and a hall of residence (Nepean Hall).

Although the development of the Veterinary School is far from complete, extensive hospital and clinic buildings (Evelyn Williams Building), an Animal Science building (RMC Gunn Building) and the Veterinary Science Conference Centre (opened 1998) have been erected at the Sydney campus.

In 1997 the Departments of Veterinary Anatomy and Veterinary Pathology amalgamated to form the Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology. In the same year Pathology staff and equipment were relocated into the adjacent building, previously known as the (CSIRO) McMaster Building, enabling the 1946 temporary building (mentioned above) to be demolished.

Also in 1997 the Department of Animal Health amalgamated with the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences and the combined department is known as the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences.

In 1998 the names of the Faculty's two veterinary hospitals were changed. The Veterinary Teaching Hospital on the Sydney campus was named The University Veterinary Centre, Sydney, and the Rural Veterinary Centre at Camden was named The University Veterinary Centre, Camden.

The Faculty now consists of a single department. Over 2800 students have been awarded the BVSc degree. Apart from the growth in undergraduate teaching, there are a number of postgraduate diplomas as well as courses leading to the degrees of Master of Science in Veterinary Science, Master of Veterinary Science, Master of Veterinary Studies, Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies and Doctor of Philosophy available to graduates. Future progress is assured.

New Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc)

The Faculty of Veterinary Science completed a comprehensive review of the Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) in 1999. The review involved not only academic staff and students, but also members of the veterinary profession. The review process identified many areas that needed improvement and innovation, and the revised course commenced with the Year 1 students enrolling in 2000.

One of the major driving philosophies has been greater integration of topics within the course, and a need for more contextual learning. The Faculty has committed to earlier introduction of units of study that deal with animal behaviour, clinical problems and diseases and the integration of units of study. In addition, new topics have been introduced that deal with some of the core elements of veterinary practice, such as communication and business skills.

Some important features of the new course include:

- Physics is no longer taught as a discrete unit of study in Year 1. Appropriate content is introduced contextually throughout the course.
- Chemistry content has been reduced and revised, reflecting the specific needs of the Faculty.
- Biochemistry and Cytology content have been integrated in new units of study in Cell Biology presented in Year 1.
- Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology units have been integrated in Years 1 and 2.
- A new unit in Veterinary Conservation Biology has been introduced in Year 2.
- New Professional Practice units have been introduced for Years 1-3. These units emphasise personal and professional development, and focus on generic skills and attributes of students. They also facilitate contact between students and extramural veterinary support practices, and problems and scenarios in veterinary science are studied from Year 1.
- Examples of issues covered include aspects of animal welfare, client communication, grief management, and legislative concerns in veterinary science.
- Units in Bacteriology, Virology and Parasitology have been replaced by units in Veterinary Pathobiology. The new units emphasise an integrated approach to cases and problems in animal disease.
- A new unit in Animal Behaviour and Welfare Science has been introduced in Year 3 of the course.
- Animal Husbandry in Year 1 has been expanded, and integrates selected topics. Aspects of feeding and management of companion animals have been expanded in these units. These changes are predicated on the assumption that students should be able to have sound information on vaccination, common diseases and feeding of animals in their first year of study in the BVSc.
- Animal Genetics and Biometry is also taught as an integrated unit of study in Year 2.
- The revised course will also introduce a new elective unit in Year 5, where students have the opportunity to pursue an area of interest in the Faculty or externally.
In addition, the Faculty will introduce a major change to the final two years of the degree. Students will spend their final year in clinical practice activities, in what will be in effect, a transition year to practice. Currently, veterinary science students spend their 4th year in Sydney, where as well as receiving lectures and practical classes, they also participate in case management at the University Veterinary Centre, where clients bring their sick domestic pets. In final year, the students currently live at Camden, where they are involved in large animal work and also participate in the activities of University Veterinary Centre Camden, which has a focus on health and production of farm animals and horses. The new proposal involves students completing their lectures and practical classes in 4th year, with the first half of the year at Sydney and the second half at Camden, starting in Year 4 in 2003. There will be limited clinical case management during this year but the students will be involved in practical classes to gain expertise in medicine, surgery, radiology, anaesthesia and clinical pathology of both small and large animals. At the end of this year, students will be able to gain provisional registration with NSW Veterinary Surgeons Board to work as veterinarians in practice under supervision. The final year will be a practice-based year, with periods of time spent in the University Veterinary Centres at Sydney and Camden, as well as in private veterinary practices. We believe that these changes will permit students to make the best use of clinical case material during their final year. We are confident that these changes to the course will retain the strong scientific background that has been a long-term strength of the degree. The changes will also contribute to development of the skills and professional competence of our graduates, and so ease the transition to the sometimes very demanding work schedules and challenges involved in veterinary practice.

Feedback from students and graduates has been fundamentally important during the Faculty’s deliberations on the course revisions. Continual re-evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the course will be undertaken with the assistance of the Centre for Teaching and Learning. Annual surveys of students and graduates will also help the Faculty maintain a dynamic and innovative course that meets the needs of our talented, enthusiastic students and the community.
8 General University information

See also the Glossary for administrative information relating to particular terms.

Accommodation Service
The Accommodation Service assists students to find off-campus accommodation by maintaining an extensive database of suitable accommodation in various areas but primarily close to University or within easy access via public transport.
Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3312
Fax: (02) 9351 8262
TTY: (02) 9351 3412
Email: accom@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/accom

Admissions Office
The Admissions Office is responsible for overseeing the distribution of offers of undergraduate admission and can advise prospective local undergraduate students regarding admission requirements. Postgraduate students should contact the appropriate faculty. If you are an Australian citizen or a permanent resident but have qualifications from a non-Australian institution, phone (02) 9351 4118 for more information. For enquiries regarding Special Admissions (including Mature Age Entry), phone (02) 9351 3615. Applicants without Australian citizenship or permanent residency should contact the International Office.
Student Centre
Ground Floor, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4117 or (02) 9351 4118
Fax: (02) 9351 4869
Email: admissions@records.usyd.edu.au

Applying for a course
Prospective (intending) students must lodge an application form with the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) by the last working day of September of the year before enrolment. Note that some faculties, such as Pharmacy, the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and Sydney College of the Arts, have additional application procedures.

Assessment
For matters regarding assessment, refer to the relevant department or school.

Careers information
Provides careers information and advice, and help in finding course-related employment both while you’re studying and when you commence your career.
Careers Centre
Ground Floor, Mackie Building, KOI
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3481
Fax: (02) 9351 5134
Email: info@careers.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.careers.usyd.edu.au

Casual Employment Service
The Casual Employment Service helps students find casual and part-time work during their studies and in University vacations.
Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 8714
Fax: (02) 9351 8717

Centre for English Teaching
The Centre for English Teaching (CET) offers a range of English language courses including Academic English, General & Business English and IELTS preparation. CET programs help international students to reach the required English language levels for entry to degrees at the University. Students have the opportunity to take the CET university direct entry test at the completion of their language programs.
Level 2, Building F, 88 Mallett St
University of Sydney (M02)
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 0706
Fax: (02) 9351 0710
Email: info@cte.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/cet

Child care
Contact the Child Care Coordinator for information about Children's Services for students and staff of the University who are parents.
Child Care Coordinator
Level 7, Education Building, A35
Phone: (02) 9351 5667
Fax: (02) 9351 7055
TTY: (02) 9351 3412
Email: childcare@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/childcare

Co-op Bookshop
Sells textbooks, reference books, general books and software. Special order services available. The Co-op Bookshop is located at:
Sydney University Sports and Aquatic Centre, G09
Cnr Codrington St and Darlington Rd
Phone: (02) 9351 3705 or (02) 9351 2807
Fax: (02) 9660 5256
Email: syedu@mail.coop-bookshop.com.au
Web: www.coop-bookshop.com.au

Counselling Service
The Counselling Service aims to help students fulfil their academic, individual and social goals through professional counselling which is free and confidential. Counselling presents an opportunity to: gain greater self-awareness; learn to cope more efficiently with the problem at hand; discuss any work-related, social or personal issues that cause concern; explore options with professionally trained staff. In addition, workshops are offered each semester on topics such as stress management, relaxation, exam anxiety, communication skills and others.
Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 2228
Fax: (02) 9351 7055
Disability Services
Disability Services is the principal point of contact and advice on
assistance available for students with disabilities. The Service
works closely with academic and administrative staff to ensure
that students receive reasonable accommodations in all areas of
their study. Assistance available includes the provision of
notetaking, interpreters, and advocacy with academic staff to
negotiate assessment and course requirement modifications
where appropriate.

Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4554
Fax: (02) 9351 7055
Email: dissert@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/su/disability

Enrolment and pre-enrolment
Students entering first year
Details of the enrolment procedures will be sent with the UAC
Offer of Enrolment. Enrolment takes place at a specific time and
date, depending on your surname and the Faculty in which you are
enrolling, but is usually within the last week of January. You
must attend the University in person or else nominate, in writing,
somebody to act on your behalf. On the enrolment day, you pay
the compulsory fees for joining the Student Union, the Students'
Representative Council and sporting bodies and nominate your preferred ‘up front’ or deferred payment for your Higher
Contribution Scheme (HECS) liability. You also choose your
first-year units of study, so it’s important to consult the Handbook
before enrolling.

All other students
A pre-enrolment package is sent to all enrolled students in late
September, and contains instructions on the procedure for pre-
enrolment.

Examinations
The Examinations and Exclusions Office looks after the majority
of exam papers, timetables and exclusions. Some faculties, such as
the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, make all examination
arrangements for the units of study that they offer.

Examinations and Exclusions Office
Student Centre
Level 1, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4005 or (02) 9351 4006
Fax: (02) 9351 7330
Email: exams.office@exams.usyd.edu.au

Fees
For information on how to pay, where to pay, and if payments
have been received.

Fees Office
Margaret Telfer Building, K07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 5222
Fax: (02) 9351 4202

Financial Assistance Office
The University has a number of loan funds and bursaries to assist
students who experience financial difficulties. Assistance is not
intended to provide the principal means of support but to help in
emergencies and to supplement other income.

Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 2416
Fax: (02) 9351 7055
TTY: (02) 9351 3412
Email: fin@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/su/fin_assist

Freedom of Information
The University of Sydney falls within the jurisdiction of the
information concerning documents held by the University to be
made available to the public, to enable a member of the public to
obtain access to documents held by the University and to enable a
member of the public to ensure that records held by the
University concerning his or her personal affairs are not
incomplete, incorrect or out of date. By definition, a ‘member of
the public’ includes staff or students of the University.

Application may be made for access to access University documents, however the Act provides some exemptions to
particular documents. The Act contains review and appeal
mechanisms which are required to be explained to applicants
where applicable. The University is required to report to the
public on its FOI activities on a regular basis. The two reports
provided are the Statement of Affairs and the Summary of
Affairs. The Statement of Affairs contains information about the
University, its structure and function and the kinds of documents
held. The Summary of Affairs identifies each of the University's
policy documents and provides a contact list for those wishing to
access these documents. Further information, and copies of the
current reports may be found at www.usyd.edu.au/arms/foi/

It is a requirement of the Act that applications be processed
and a determination be made generally within 21 days.

Determinations are made by the University's Registrar.

Graduations Office
The Graduations Office is responsible for organising graduation
ceremonies and informing students of their graduation
arrangements.

Student Centre
Ground Floor, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3199, (02) 9351 4009, Protocol (02) 9351 4612
Fax: (02) 9351 5072

(Grievances) appeals
Many decisions about academic and non-academic matters are
made each year and you may consider that a particular decision
affecting your candidature for a degree or other activities at the
University may not have taken into account all the relevant
matters.

In some cases the by-laws or resolutions of the Senate (see
University Calendar) specifically provide for a right of appeal
against particular decisions; for example, there is provision for
appeal against academic decisions, disciplinary decisions and
exclusion after failure.

A document outlining the current procedures for appeals
against academic decisions is available at the Student Centre, at
the SRC, and on the University's web site at www.usyd.edu.au/
su/planning/policy/.

If you wish to seek assistance or advice regarding an appeal,
contact:

Students’ Representative Council
Level 1, Wentworth Building, G01
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9660 5222

HECS
Student Centre
Ground Floor, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 5659, (02) 9351 5062, (02) 9351 2086
Fax: (02) 9351 5081

International Student Centre
The International Student Centre consists of the International
Office (IO), the International Student Services Unit (ISSU) and
the Study Abroad and Exchange Office. The International Office
provides assistance with application, admission and enrolment
procedures and administers scholarships for international
students. The ISSU provides a wide range of international
student support services including arranging arrival
accommodation and offering advice and professional
counselling. The Study Abroad and Exchange Unit assists both
domestic and international students who wish to enrol for Study Abroad or Exchange programs.

International Student Centre
Services Building, G12
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4079
Fax: (02) 9351 4013
Email: info@io.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/io

International Student Services Unit
Phone: (02) 9351 4749
Fax: (02) 9351 6818
Email: info@issu.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/issu

Study Abroad and Exchange Unit
Phone: (02) 9351 5841
Fax: (02) 9351 2795
Email: studyabroad@io.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/io/studyabroad

Exchange
Phone: (02) 9351 5843
Fax: (02) 9351 2795
Email: exchange@io.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/io/exchange

Intranet
USYDnet is The University of Sydney's intranet. It provides easy access to staff and student directories, maps, software and useful resources for both staff and students. As well as delivering information, the intranet provides interactive services such as the calendar of events, where staff and students can enter events and publish them University-wide.

MyUni is the personalised section of USYDnet. All staff and students are provided with access to MyUni through a login name and password. This enables mem to customise the information they see and also receive delivery of personal information such as exam results and seat numbers. MyUni is a portal from which students and staff can complete tasks that were previously only possible offline. Web enrolment variation is one of the first of many facilities that are helping to move the everyday tasks of all members of the university online.

Koori Centre and Yooroong Garang
The Koori Centre provides tutorial assistance: access to computers, Indigenous counsellor, Aboriginal Studies library study rooms, Orientation program at the beginning of the year, and assistance in study and learning skills. Education Unit: courses in Education for ATSI students. Indigenous Studies Unit: aims to increase the awareness of Indigenous Australian issues through courses across the University.

Ground Floor, Old Teachers' College, A22
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 2046 general enquiries, (02) 9351 7003 Liaison Officer
Fax: (02) 9351 6923
Email: koori@koori.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.koori.usyd.edu.au

Language Centre
Provides self-access course materials in over 140 languages. Beginners and intermediate courses in Modern Spanish, Modern Russian, Modern Welsh, Modern Irish, Modern Portuguese languages and cultures; Diploma Course in Modern Language Teaching.

Level 2, Christopher Brennan Building, A18
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 2371
Fax: (02) 9351 3626
Email: language.enquiries@language.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.arts.usyd.edu.au/Arts/departs/langcent/home.html

Learning Centre
The Learning Centre assists students to develop the generic skills which are necessary for learning and communicating knowledge and ideas at university. The Centre is committed to helping students to achieve their academic potential throughout their undergraduate and postgraduate studies. The Centre's program includes a wide range of workshops on study skills, academic reading and writing, oral communication skills and postgraduate writing and research skills. Other services the Centre provides are an Individual Learning Program (ILP), a special program for international students, Faculty-based workshops, publications of learning resources and library facilities.

Level 7, Education Building, A35
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3853
Fax: (02) 9351 4865
Email: lc@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/stu lc

Library
Students are welcome to use any of the 22 libraries in the University. The student card is also the library borrower's card. Further details of the libraries, including services provided, locations and opening hours are available on the Library's homepage www.library.usyd.edu.au as well as in the printed Library Guide, available at any library. Consult the Library staff for assistance.

The libraries listed below are located on the Camperdown/ Darlington campus unless otherwise specified.

Architecture Library
Wilkinson Building, G04
Phone: (02) 9351 2775
Fax: (02) 9351 4782
Email: architecture@library.usyd.edu.au

Badham Library
Badham Building, A16
Phone: (02) 9351 2728
Fax: (02) 9351 3852
Email: badhamlibrary@library.usyd.edu.au

Biochemistry Library
Biochemistry Building, G08
Phone: (02) 9351 2231
Fax: (02) 9351 7699
Email: biochemistry@library.usyd.edu.au

Burkitt-Ford Library
Sir Edward Ford Building, A27
Phone: (02) 9351 4364
Fax: (02) 9351 7125
Email: burkittfordlibrary@library.usyd.edu.au

Camden Library
University Farms, Camden, C15
Phone: (02) 9351 1627
Fax: (02) 4655 6719
Email: camdenlibrary@library.usyd.edu.au

Chemistry Library
Chemistry Building, F11
Phone: (02) 9351 3009
Fax: (02) 9351 3329
Email: chemistry@library.usyd.edu.au

Curriculum Resources Library
Old Teachers College, A22
Phone: (02) 9351 6254
Fax: (02) 9351 7766
Email: curriculum@library.usyd.edu.au

Dentistry Library
United Dental Hospital, 2 Chalmers St, Surry Hills, C12
Phone: (02) 9351 8331
Fax: 9212 5149
Email: dentistry@library.usyd.edu.au

Engineering Library
PN Russell Building, J02
Phone: (02) 9351 2138
Fax: (02) 9351 7466
Email: engineering@library.usyd.edu.au

Fisher Library
Eastern Ave, F03
Phone: (02) 9351 2993
Fax: (02) 9351 2890
Email: fisherlibrary@library.usyd.edu.au
Geosciences Library
Madsen Building, F09
Phone: (02) 9351 6456
Fax: (02) 9351 6459
Email: geosciences@library.usyd.edu.au

Health Sciences Library
East St, Lidcombe, C42
Phone: (02) 9351 9423
Fax: (02) 9351 9421
Email: h.knight@ehcs.usyd.edu.au

Law Library
Law School, 173-175 Phillip St, Sydney, C13
Phone: (02) 9351 0216
Fax: (02) 9351 0301
Email: library@law.usyd.edu.au

Mathematics Library
Carslaw Building, F07
Phone: (02) 9351 2974
Fax: (02) 9351 5766
Email: mathematics@library.usyd.edu.au

Medical Library
Boscot Building, D05
Phone: (02) 9351 2413
Fax: (02) 9351 2427
Email: medical@library.usyd.edu.au

Music Library
Seymour Centre, J09
Phone: (02) 9351 3554
Fax: (02) 9351 7343
Email: music@library.usyd.edu.au

Nursing Library
88 Mallett St, Camperdown, M02
Phone: (02) 9351 0541
Fax: (02) 9351 0634
Email: nursing@library.usyd.edu.au

Orange Library
Leeds Parade, Orange
Phone: (02) 6360 5594
Fax: (02) 6360 5637
Email: lib@orange.usyd.edu.au

Physics Library
New Wing, Physics Building, A29
Phone: (02) 9351 2550
Fax: (02) 9351 7767
Email: physics@library.usyd.edu.au

Shaefler Fine Arts Library
Mills Building, A26
Phone: (02) 9351 2148
Fax: (02) 9351 7624
Email: john.spencer@arthist.usyd.edu.au

Sydney College of the Arts Library
Balmain Rd, Rozelle, N01
Phone: (02) 9351 1036
Fax: (02) 9351 1043
Email: scalib@scu.usyd.edu.au

Sydney Conservatorium of Music Library
Macquarie St (opposite Bridge St), Sydney, C41
Phone: (02) 9351 1316
Email: library@commusic.usyd.edu.au

Mathematics Learning Centre
The Mathematics Learning Centre runs bridging courses in mathematics at the beginning of the academic year (fees apply). It also provides on-going support during the year through individual assistance and small group tutorials. Level 4, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 0461
Fax: (02) 9351 5797
TTY: (02) 9351 3412
Email: mlc@stuserv.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/su/mlc

Part-time, full-time
Students are normally considered as full-time if they have a HECS weighting of at least 0.375 each semester. Anything under this amount is considered a part-time study load. Note that some faculties have minimum study load requirements for satisfactory progress.

Privacy
The University is subject to the NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (the Act). Central to the Act is Part 2 which contains twelve Information Protection Principles (IPPs) which regulate the collection, management, use and disclosure of personal information.

In response to Section 33 of the Act the University has developed a Privacy Management Plan which includes a new University Privacy Policy incorporating the requirements of the IPPS. Both the Plan and the new University Privacy Policy were endorsed by the Vice-Chancellor on 28 June 2000. The Privacy Management Plan sets out the IPPS and how they apply to functions and activities carried out by the University.

Further information and a copy of the Plan may be found at www.usyd.edu.au/arms/privacy/ Any questions regarding the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act or the Privacy Management Plan should be directed to:

Tim Robinson: (02) 9351 4263 or Judith Russell: (02) 9351 2684
Email: foi@mail.usyd.edu.au

Student Centre
Ground Floor, Carslaw Building, F07
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3023 General Enquiries
(02) 9351 4109 Academic Records
(02) 9351 3023 Discontinuation of Enrolment
(02) 9351 5057 Handbooks
(02) 9351 5160 Prizes
Fax: (02) 9351 5081, (02) 9351 5350 Academic Records

Student identity cards
In 1999 the University incorporated a photograph into the student identity card. This means that all students have to provide a colour, passport-sized, head and shoulders photograph when they attend on campus sites to have their student ID card laminated.

University student ED cards also function as transport concession cards for eligible students, thus eliminating the need for a separate concession card. The endorsement for concession travel will take the form of a hologram sticker attached to the front of the student ID card.

Student Services
Student Services exists to help you achieve your educational goals by providing personal, welfare, and academic support services to facilitate your success at University. Many factors can impact on your well being while studying at University and Student Services can assist you in managing and handling these more effectively. Refer to Accommodation Service, Casual Employment Service, Child Care, Disability Service, Financial Assistance Office, Learning Centre, Mathematics Learning Centre.
The web site is at www.usyd.edu.au/students.

The Sydney Summer School
Most faculties at the University offer units of study from degree programs during January /February. As the University uses all of its HECS quota in first and second semester, these units are full fee-paying and entirely voluntary. However, Summer School units enable students to accelerate their degree progress, make up for a failed unit or fit in a unit which otherwise would not suit their timetables. New students may also gain a head start by completing requisite subjects before they commence their degrees. Units start on 2 January and run for up to six weeks (followed by an examination week).
Notice of the units available is contained in the various faculty handbooks and is usually circulated to students with their results notices.

Timetabling Unit
The timetabling unit in the Student Centre is responsible for producing students’ class and tutorial timetables. Students can obtain their Semester 1 timetables from the Wednesday of Orientation Week via the web.

The Sydney Conservatorium of Music operates in accordance with a local calendar of dates and produces a complete timetable.
for all teaching that it delivers. The timetable is available on enrolment at the Conservatorium.

**Undergraduate Scholarships**

Scholarships Unit, Room 147
Ground Floor, Mackie Building, KOI
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 2717
Fax: (02) 9351 5134
Email: scholarships@careers.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usyd.edu.au/study/

**University Health Service**

Provides full general practitioner services and emergency medical care to the University community.

Email: director@unihealth.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.unihealth.usyd.edu.au

**University Health Service (Wentworth)**

Level 3, Wentworth Building, G01
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 3484
Fax: (02) 9351 4110

**University Health Service (Holme)**

Science Rd Entry, Holme Building, A09
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4095
Fax: (02) 9351 4338

■ Student organisations

**Students’ Representative Council**

Level 1, Wentworth Building, G01
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9660 5222
Editors, Honi Soit/Legal Aid
(02) 9660 4756
Second-hand Bookshop
(02) 9351 0691
Mallett St
(02) 9230 3777
Pitt St - Conservatorium
Fax: (02) 9660 4260
Email: postmaster@src.usyd.edu.au

**Sydney University Sports Union**

Services, facilities and clubs for sport, recreation and fitness.
Noel Martin Sports and Aquatic Centre, G09
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 4960
Fax: (02) 9351 4962
Email: sports_union@susu.usyd.edu.au

**University of Sydney Union**

Main provider of catering facilities, retail services, welfare programs, and social and cultural events for the University community on the Camperdown and Darlington campuses, and at many of the University’s affiliated campuses.

University of Sydney Union
Box 500, Holme Building, A09
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9563 6000
Switchboard/Enquiries
Fax: (02) 9563 6239
Email: email@usu.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.usu.usyd.edu.au

**Women’s Sports Association**

Provides for students, predominantly women, to participate in sport and recreation through the provision of facilities, courses and personnel.
The Arena Sports Centre, A30
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006 Australia
Phone: (02) 9351 8111
Fax: (02) 9660 0921
Email: secretary@suwsa.usyd.edu.au
Web: www.suwsa.usyd.edu.au
This glossary describes terminology in use at The University of Sydney.

Academic Board
The Academic Board is the senior academic body within the University. In conjunction with faculties, the Academic Board has responsibility for approving, or recommending to Senate for approval, new or amended courses and units of study and policy relating to the admission of students. (For further information, see the University Calendar.)

Academic cycle
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Academic record
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Addresses
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Admission
Admission is governed by the University's admission policy and is the process for identifying applicants eligible to receive an offer of admission to a course. The criteria used include, among other things, previous secondary, TAFE or tertiary studies, work experience, special admission and the Universities Admission Index (UAI).

Admission (deferment)
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Admission basis
The main criterion used by a faculty in assessing an application for admission to a course. The criteria used include, among other things, previous secondary, TAFE or tertiary studies, work experience, special admission and the Universities Admission Index (UAI).

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Admission mode
Admission mode is a classification based on how a student was admitted to a course, for example 'UAC' or 'direct'.

Admission period
The period during which applications for admission to courses are considered. The main admission period takes place before Semester 1, but there may also be an admission period for mid-year applicants before the beginning of Semester 2 and other admission periods.

Admission reply
A code used by FlexSIS to indicate whether an applicant who has received an offer has accepted the offer or not.

Admission result
A code used by FlexSIS to indicate the result of a direct application to study at the University (eg, offer, unsuccessful, withdrawn).

Admission year
The year the student began the course.

Admitted student
See Student, Academic standing.

Admission

Academic transcript
A printed statement setting out a student's academic record at the University. There are two forms of academic transcript: external and internal. (See also Academic transcript.)

Academic cycle
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Access to a student's academic record is restricted to authorised University staff. A student's academic record is not released to a third party without the written authorisation of the student. (See also Academic transcript.)

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Advanced standing
See Award course.

Advanced standing
See Credit.

Advisor
A member of academic staff appointed in an advisory role for some postgraduate coursework students. (See also Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor (teacher), Research supervisor, Supervision.)

Annual Progress Report
The Annual Progress Report is a form issued by faculties which is used to monitor a research student's progress each year. The form provides for comments by the student, the supervisor, the head of the department and the dean. The completed form is attached to the student's academic file.

FlexSIS records that the form has been sent out and that it has been satisfactorily completed.

APRA
Australian Postgraduate Awards. (See also Scholarships, UPA.)

Appeals
Students may lodge appeals against academic or disciplinary decisions. FlexSIS will record an academic appeal (eg, against exclusion) while they are under consideration and will record the outcome of the appeal. Disciplinary (that is, non-academic) appeals are not recorded on FlexSIS.

ARTS
Automated Results Transfer System. This system was developed on behalf of ACTAC (Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres) to allow the electronic academic record of a student to be accessible, via an admission centre, between tertiary institutions.

Assessment
The process of measuring the performance of students in units of study and courses. The assessment of performance in a unit of study may include examinations, essays, laboratory projects, or assignments. (See also Board of examiners, Result processing, Result processing schedule.)

Associate supervisor
A person who is appointed in addition to the supervisor of a research student who can provide the day-to-day contact with the candidate or provide particular expertise or additional experience in supervision. (See also Advisor, Instrumental supervisor (teacher), Research supervisor, Supervision.)

Assumed knowledge
For some units of study, a student is assumed to have passed a relevant subject at the HSC and this is called assumed knowledge. While students are generally advised against taking a unit of study for which they do not have the assumed knowledge, they are not prevented from enrolling in the unit of study. (See also Prerequisite.)

Attendance mode
A DEYYA classification defining the manner in which a student is undertaking a course - ie, internal, external, mixed or offshore.

Attendance pattern/type
Refers to whether the student is studying part-time or full-time.
proportion being undertaken by the student of the normal full-time load specified for the course in which the student is enrolled. To be considered full-time, a coursework student must undertake at least 0.75 of the normal full-time load over the academic cycle or at least 0.375 if only enrolling in half of an academic year. It is important to note, however, that, for some purposes, to be considered full-time a student may need to be enrolled in at least 0.375 in each half year. Research students, with the approval of their faculty, nominate whether they wish to study part-time or full-time. The attendance status is then recorded on FlexSIS as part of the application or enrolment process. (See also Coursework, Student load.)

AustAID

Australian Agency for International Development.

AUSCHECK

AUSCHECK is the software provided by Centrelink to validate Australian Agency for International Development.

AUSTUDY

Replaced by Youth Allowance. (See also Youth Allowance.)

Award course

An award course is a formally approved program of study that can lead to an academic award granted by the University. An award course requires the completion of a program of study specified by course rules. (See also Course rules.) Award courses are approved by Senate, on the recommendation of the Academic Board. Students normally apply to transfer between Award courses through the UAC. The award course name will appear on testamurs. The University broadly classifies courses as undergraduate, postgraduate coursework or postgraduate research. The award courses offered by the University are:

- Higher doctorates
- Doctor of philosophy (PhD)
- Doctorates by research and advanced coursework
  - Master's degree by research
  - Master's degree by coursework
- Graduate diploma
- Graduate certificate
- Bachelor's degree
- Advanced diplomas
- Diplomas

(See also Bachelor's degree, Course rules, Diploma, Doctorate, Major, Master's degree, Minor, PhD, Stream.)

Bachelor's degree

The highest undergraduate award offered at the University of Sydney. A bachelor's degree course normally requires three or four years of full-time study or the part-time equivalent. (See also Award course.)

Barrier

A barrier is an instruction placed on a student's FlexSIS record that prevents the student from re-enrolling or graduating. (See also Deadline (fees), Suppression of results.)

Board of examiners

A Board of examiners was a body appointed by a faculty or board of studies which met to approve the results of all students undertaking courses supervised by that faculty or board of studies. Boards of examiners were dis-established following revision of the University's examination procedures in 2000. (See also Assessment, Result processing, Result processing schedule.)

Board of studies

An academic body which supervises a course or courses and which is similar to a faculty except that it is headed by a chair rather than a dean and does not supervise PhD candidates.

Bursaries

See Scholarships.

Business address

FlexSIS can record a student's business address and contact details. (See also Addresses, Permanent home address, Semester address, Temporary address.)

Cadigal Program

The Cadigal Program is a University wide access and support scheme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

Campus

The grounds on which the University is situated. There are eleven campuses of the University of Sydney: Burrun Street (Institute for International Health, Institute of Transport Studies), Camperdown and Darlington (formerly known as Main Campus), Camden (Agriculture and Veterinary Science), Conservatorium (Conservatorium of Music), Cumberland (Health Sciences), Mallett Street (Nursing), Orange (Faculty of Rural Management), Rozelle (Sydney College of the Arts), St James (Law) and Surry Hills (Dentistry).

Census date

See HECS census date.

Centre for Continuing Education

The Centre for Continuing Education develops and conducts courses, conferences and study tours for the general public and professional groups. The Centre offers approximately 1,000 courses for approximately 20,000 students each year. Most of these courses are held over one of the four main sessions that are conducted each year, though the Centre is offering an increasingly larger number of ad hoc courses in response to increased competition and changing demands. The Centre operates on a cost recovery/ income generation basis. (See also Continuing professional education.)

Centrelink

Centrelink is the agency responsible for providing information and assistance on a range of Commonwealth Government programs including Youth Allowance. (See also Youth Allowance, Ceremonies.) See Graduation ceremony.

Chancellor

The non-executive head of the University. An honorary position, the Chancellor chairs meetings of the University's governing body, the Senate, and presides over graduation ceremonies amongst other duties.

Class list

A listing of all currently enrolled students in a particular unit of study. (See also Unit of study.)

Combined course

A course which leads to two awards. For example the Arts/Law course leads to the separate awards of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws.

Combined degree

See Combined course.

Commemoration student

A student enrolling in an award course at the University of Sydney for the first time. The DETYA glossary provides a more detailed definition.

Comp subs

See Compulsory subscriptions.

Compulsory subscription rates

There are two rates for some annual subscriptions: full-time and part-time. (See also Compulsory subscriptions.)

Compulsory subscription waiver provision

Certain students over a certain age or with disabilities or medical conditions may be exempted from the subscription to the sports body.

Students with a conscientious objection to the payment of subscriptions to unions of any kind may apply to the Registrar for exemption. The Registrar may permit such a student to make the payment to the Jean Foley Bursary Fund instead. (See also Compulsory subscriptions.)

Compulsory subscriptions

Each enrolled student is liable to pay annual (or semester) subscriptions as determined by the Senate to the student organisations at the University. These organisations are different on different campuses. There are different organisations for undergraduate and postgraduate students.

At the Camperdown/Darlington campus (formerly known as Main Campus), compulsory submissions depend on the level of study.

Undergraduate: the University of Sydney Union, Students' Representative Council (SRC) and the University of Sydney Sports Union or the Sydney University Women's Sports Association.

Postgraduate: the University of Sydney Union and the Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association (SUPRA).

Student organisations at other campuses include: the Conservatorium Student Association, the Cumberland Student Guild, the Orange Agricultural College Student Association and the Student Association of Sydney College of the Arts.
(See also Compulsory subscription rates, Compulsory subscription waiver provision, Joining fee, Life membership.)

**Confirmation of Enrolment form**
A Confirmation of Enrolment form is issued to students after enrolment showing the course and the units of study they are enrolled in, together with the credit point value of the units of study and the HECS weights. Until all fees are paid, it is issued provisionally.

A new Confirmation of Enrolment form is produced every time a student's enrolment is varied.

For postgraduate research students the form also lists candidate details and supervisor information.

Where students have an appointed advisor, the advisor information is also shown.

**Continuing professional education**
The continuing professional education process provides a number of programs of continuing education courses for professionals as they move through their career. These programs are presently administered by the Centre for Continuing Education and a number of departments and Foundations across the University. This process supports the whole of life learning concept and requires/promotes the maintenance of a long term relationship between the student and the University. It is envisaged that the importance of this mode of education will increase in the future. (See also Centre for Continuing Education.)

**Convocation**
Convocation is the body comprising all graduates of the University.

**Core unit of study**
A unit of study that is compulsory for the course or subject area. (See also Unit of study.)

**Corequisite**
A corequisite is a unit of study which must be taken in the same semester or year as a given unit of study (unless it has already been completed). These are determined by the faculty or board of studies concerned, published in the faculty handbook and shown in FlexSIS. (See also Prerequisite, Waiver.)

**Course**
An award course or non-award course undertaken at the University of Sydney. (See also Award course, Non-award course.)

**Course alias**
Each course in FlexSIS is identified by a unique five-digit alphanumeric code.

**Course code**
See Course alias.

**Course leave**
Students (undergraduate and postgraduate) are permitted to apply for a period away from their course without losing their place, course leave is formally approved by the supervising faculty for a minimum of one semester and recorded on FlexSIS (leave for periods of less than one semester should be recorded internally by the faculty). Students on leave are regarded as having an active candidature, but they are not entitled to a student card. At undergraduate level leave is not counted towards the total length of the course. Students who are absent from study without approved leave may be discontinued and may be required to reapply formally for admission. The term 'suspension of candidature' was previously used to describe research students on course leave.

**Course (research)**
A classification of courses in which students undertake supervised research leading to the production of a thesis or other piece of written or creative work over a prescribed period of time. The research component of a research course must comprise 60% or more of the overall course requirements.

**Course rules**
Course rules govern the allowable enrolment of a student in a course; eg, a candidate may not enrol in units of study having a total value of more than 32 credit points per semester. Course rules also govern the requirements for the award of the course - eg, a candidate must have completed a minimum of 144 credit points. Course rules may be expressed in terms of units of study taken, length of study, and credit points accumulated. (See also Award course.)

Course suspension
See Course leave.

Course transfer
A course transfer occurs where a student changes from one course in the University to another course in the University without the requirement for an application and selection (eg, from a PhD to a master's program in the same faculty).

**Course type**
Course type is a DETYA code.

**Coursework**
Coursework is a classification used to describe those courses that consist of units of study rather than research work. All undergraduate courses are coursework programs. Postgraduate courses can be either research courses or coursework courses. (See also Course (research).)

**Credit**
The recognition of previous studies successfully completed at this or another recognised (by the University of Sydney) university or tertiary institution as contributing to the requirements for the award of the course in which the applicant requesting such recognition has been admitted.

Where the University agrees to recognise successfully completed previous studies, their contribution to the requirements for the award of the course, in which the applicant has been admitted, will be expressed as specific or non-specific credit.

Credit awarded to a credit applicant - whether specific or non-specific - will be recorded with a mark and grade of 50 pass, unless in individual cases the credit is assessed by the faculty as having a mark and grade greater than 50 pass. This equivalent mark and grade will be used for the purposes of calculating a student's weighted average mark and for the purposes of satisfying prerequisite rules where a level of passing grade is specified. (See also Precedents, Specific credit, Non-specific credit, Waiver, Weighted average mark (WAM).)

**Creditpoints**
Credit points are a measure of value indicating the contribution each unit of study provides towards meeting course completion requirements stated as a total credit point value. Each unit of study will have a credit point value assigned to it, normally in the range 3 to 24. Resolutions of Senate set the number and level of credit points required for graduation.

**Cross-institutional enrolment**
Cross-institutional enrolment is an enrolment in units of study at one university to count towards an award course at another university. Cross-institutional enrolments incur a HECS liability or tuition fee charge at the institution at which the unit of study is being undertaken. Students pay compulsory subscriptions to one university only (usually their home university - ie, the university which will award their degree). (See also Non-award course, Enrolment non-award.)

**DAC (Data Audit Committee)**
DAC is a sub-committee of the VCAC Enrolment Working Party, chaired by the Registrar, with membership including the deans, the Student Centre, FlexSIS and the Planning Support Office. Its role is to oversee the integrity and accuracy of the course and unit of study data as strategic university data. It has a role in advising the Academic Board on suggested policy changes with relation to course and unit of study data.

**Deadlines (enrolment variations)**
See Enrolment variations.

**Deadlines (fees)**
The University has deadlines for the payment of fees (eg, HECS, compulsory subscriptions, course fees, etc). Students who do not pay fees by these deadlines may have their enrolment cancelled or they may have a barrier placed on the release of their record. (See also Barrier.)

**Dean**
The head of a faculty or the principal or director of a college (such as the Conservatorium of Music or the Sydney College of Arts).

**Dean's certificate**
A statement from the dean certifying that all requirements, including fieldwork and practical work, have been met and that the student is eligible to graduate. Not all faculties use dean's
certificates. In faculties that do, qualified students have 'dean's certificate' noted on their academic record.

**Deferment**

*See Admission (deferment), Leave.*

**Degree**

*(See also Award course, Bachelor's degree.)*

**Delivery mode**

Indicates the mode of delivery of the instruction for a unit of study - eg, normal (ie, by attending classes at a campus of the University), distance (ie, remotely by correspondence or other distance means - eg, Web delivery). The delivery mode must be recorded for each unit as distinct from the attendance mode of the student - ie, an internal student may take one or more units by distance mode and an external student may attend campus for one or more units.

**Department**

For the purposes of FlexSIS, a department is the academic unit, which is responsible for teaching and examining a unit of study. It may be called a school, a department, a centre or a unit within the University.

**DETYA**

The Department of Education Training and Youth Affairs is the Commonwealth Government department responsible for higher education. The University is required to provide DETYA with information about its students three times a year. The Government in its funding deliberations uses this information.

**Differential HECS**

*See Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS).*

**Diploma**

The award granted following successful completion of diploma course requirements. A diploma course usually requires less study than a degree course. Graduate diploma courses are only available to students who already hold an undergraduate degree. *(See also Award course.)*

**Direct admissions**

For some courses, applications may be made directly to the University. Applications are received by faculties or the International Office, registered on FlexSIS and considered by the relevant department or faculty body. Decisions are recorded on HexSIS and HexSIS produces letters to applicants advising them of the outcome. *(See also Admission, UAC admissions.)*

**Disability information**

Students may inform the University of any temporary or permanent disability, other than a financial disability, which affects their life as a student. Disability information is recorded in HexSIS but is only visible to particular authorised users because of its sensitive nature.

**Discipline codes**

Discipline codes are four-letter codes for each area of study available at the university (eg, CHEM Chemistry, ECON Economics).

**Discipline group**

A DETYA code used to classify units of study in terms of the subject matter being taught or being researched.

**Discontinuation (course)**

*See Enrolment variation.*

**Discontinuation (unit of study)**

*See Enrolment variation.*

**Dissertation**

A dissertation is a written exposition of a topic and may include original argument substantiated by reference to acknowledged authorities. It is a required unit of study for some postgraduate award courses in the faculties of Architecture and Law.

**Distance and flexible learning**

Distance and flexible learning affords the opportunity to provide higher education to a much wider market - including students from anywhere in the world-at times, locations and modes that suit them.

**Doctor of philosophy (PhD)**

*See Award course, Doctorate, PhD.*

**Doctorate**

The doctorate and the PhD are high-level postgraduate awards available at the University of Sydney. A doctorate course normally involves research and coursework; the candidate submits a thesis that is an original contribution to the field of study. Entry to a doctorate course often requires completion of a master's degree course. Note that the doctorate course is not available in all departments at the University of Sydney. *(See also Award course, PhD.)*

**Earliest date**

*See Research candidature.*

**EFTSU**

The equivalent full-time student unit (EFTSU) is a measure of student load expressed as a proportion of the workload for a standard annual program for a student undertaking a full year of study in a particular award course. A student undertaking the standard annual program of study (normally 48 credit points) generates one EFTSU.

**EFTYR**

The effective full-time enrolment year (EFTYR) is a calculation of how long, in terms of equivalence to full-time years of enrolment, a student has been enrolled in a course. If a student has always been full-time, the calculation is straightforward (eg, the fifth year of enrolment is EFTYR 5). If the student has had a mixture of part-time and full-time enrolment, this can be equated with an EFTYR. *(See also Stage.)*

**Enrolment**

A student enrolls in a course by registering with the supervising faculty in the units of study to be taken in the coming year, semester or session. The student pays whatever fees are owing to the University by the deadline for that semester. New students currently pay on the day they enrol which is normally in early February. Students already in a course at the University re-enrol each year or semester; for most students pre-enrolment is required. *(See also Pre-enrolment.)*

**Enrolment non-award**

Non-award enrolment is an enrolment in a unit or units of study, which does not count towards a formal award of the University. Non-award enrolments are recorded in various categories used for reporting and administrative purposes. *(See also Cross-institutional enrolment, Non-award course.)*

**Enrolment status**

A student's enrolment status is either 'enrolled' or 'not enrolled'. An enrolment status is linked to an enrolment status reason or category.

**Enrolment status reason/category**

Not enrolled status reasons/categories include: withdrawn, totally discontinued, cancelled, on leave (suspended), transferred, lapsed, terminated, qualified and conferred.

**Enrolment variation**

Students may vary their enrolment at the beginning of each semester. Each faculty determines its deadlines for variations, but HECS liability depends on the HECS census date. *(See also HECS.)*

**Enrolment year**

*See EFTYR, Stage.*

**Examination**

*See Examination paper code, Examination period, Supplementary exams.*

**Examination paper code**

A code that identifies each individual examination paper. Used to help organise examinations.

**Examination period**

The examination period is the time set each semester for the conduct of formal examinations.

**Exchange student**

An exchange student is either a student of the University of Sydney who is participating in a formally agreed program involving study at an overseas university or an overseas student who is studying here on the same basis. The International Office provides administrative support for some exchanges.

**Exclusion**

The faculty may ask a student whose academic progress is considered to be unsatisfactory to 'show cause' why the student should be allowed to re-enrol. If the faculty deems the student's explanation unsatisfactory, or if the student does not provide an explanation, the student may be excluded either from a unit of study or from a course. An excluded student may apply to the faculty for permission to re-enrol. Normally at least two years must have elapsed before such an application would be considered.
University policy relating to exclusion is set out in the University Calendar. (See also Senate appeals.)

Extended semesters
Distance learning students may be allowed more time to complete a module/program if circumstances are beyond the student's control - eg, drought, flood or illness, affect the student's ability to complete the module/program in the specified time.

External
See Attendance mode.

External transcript
An external transcript is a certified statement of a student's academic record printed on official University security paper. It includes the student's name, any credit granted, all courses the student was enrolled in and the final course result and all units of study attempted within each course together with the result (but not any unit of study which has the status of withdrawn). It also includes any scholarships or prizes the student has received. Two copies are provided to each student on graduation (one with marks and grades for each unit of study and one with grades only). External transcripts are also produced at the request of the student. The student can elect either to have marks appear on the transcript or not. (See also Academic transcript, Internal transcript.)

Faculty
A faculty, consisting mainly of academic staff members and headed by a dean, is a formal part of the University's academic governance structure, responsible for all matters concerning the award courses that it supervises (see the 2001 University Calendar, pp. 140-141). Usually, a faculty office administers the faculty and student or staff inquiries related to its courses. The Calendar sets out the constitution of each of the University's 17 faculties. (See also Board of studies, Supervising faculty.)

Fail
A mark of less than 50% which is not a concessional pass. (See also Results.)

Fee-paying students
Fee-paying students are students who pay tuition fees to the University and are not liable for HECS.

Fee rate
Local fees are charged in bands, a band being a group of subject areas. The bands are recommended by faculties and approved by the DV-C (Planning and Resources).

Fee type
Fee type can be 'international' or 'local'.

Flexible learning
See Distance and Flexible learning.

Flexible start date
Full fee-paying distance students should not be restricted to the same enrolment time frames as campus-based or HECS students.

FlexISIS
FlexISIS is the computer-based Flexible Student Information System at the University of Sydney. Electronically FlexISIS holds details of courses and units of study being offered by the University and the complete academic records of all students enrolled at the University. FlexISIS also holds the complete academic records of many (but not all) past students of the university. For past students whose complete records are not held on FlexISIS, there will be a reference on FlexISIS to card or microfiche records where details are kept.

Full-time student
See Attendance status, EFTSU.

Graduate
dipoma
See Award course.

Graduate register
The graduate register is a list of all graduates of the University. (See also Graduation.)

Graduation
Graduation is the formal conferring of awards either at a ceremony or in absentia. (See also In absentia, Potential graduand.)

Graduation ceremony
A graduation ceremony is a ceremony where the Chancellor confers awards upon graduands. The Registrar publishes annually the schedule of graduation ceremonies.

HECS
See Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS).

HECS Census date
The date at which a student's enrolment, load and HECS liability are finalised before reporting to DETYA. The following dates apply:

Semester 1: 31 March
Semester 2: 31 August.

HECS code
A code used by DETYA to identify the HECS status of a student (eg, 10 deferred, 11 upfront).

Higher doctorates
See Award course.

Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS)
All students, except international students, local fee-paying students and holders of certain scholarships are obliged to contribute towards the cost of their education under the Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS). HECS liability depends on the load being taken.

Current students, except possibly those who began their studies prior to 1997, have a HECS rate charged for each unit of study in their degree program which depends on the 'discipline group' it is in, and the 'band' to which the Government has assigned it. Theses are all determined annually by the Government.

Honorary degrees
A degree honoris causa (translated from the Latin as 'for the purpose of honouring') is an honorary award, which is conferred on a person whom the University wishes to honour.

A degree ad eundem gradum (translated as 'at the same level') is awarded to a member of the academic staff who is not a graduate of the University in recognition of outstanding service to the University. The award of an honorary degree is noted on the person's academic record.

Honours
Some degrees may be completed 'with Honours'. This may involve either the completion of a separate Honours year or additional work in the later years of the course or meritorious achievement over all years of the course. Honours are awarded in a class (Class 1, Class II, Class III) and sometimes there are two divisions within Class II.

HSC
The HSC is the NSW Higher School Certificate, which is normally completed at the end of Year 12 of secondary school. The UAI (Universities Admission Index) is a rank out of 100 that is computed from a student's performance in the HSC.

In absentia
In absentia is Latin for 'in the absence of'. Awards are conferred in absentia when a graduand does not, or cannot, attend the graduation ceremony scheduled for them.

Those who have graduated in absentia may later request that they be presented to the Chancellor at a graduation ceremony. (See also Graduation.)

Instrumental supervisor (teacher)
All students at the Conservatorium of Music and BMus students on the Camperdown campus have an instrumental teacher appointed. (See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Research supervisor, Supervision.)

Internal
See Attendance mode.

Internal transcript
An Internal transcript is a record of a student's academic record for the University's own internal use. It includes the student's...
name, SID, address, all courses in which the student was enrolled and the final course result, and all units of study attempted within each course together with the unit of study result. (See also Academic transcript, External transcript.)

International student
An international student is required to hold a visa to study in Australia and may be liable for international tuition fees. Any student who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of Australia is an international student. New Zealand citizens are not classified as international students but have a special category under HECS that does not permit them to defer their HECS liability. (See also Local student, Student type.)

Joining fee
Students enrolling for the first time pay, in addition, a joining fee for the University of Sydney Union or equivalent student organisation. (See also Compulsory subscription.)

Leave
See Course leave.

Life membership
Under some circumstances (eg, after five full-time years of enrolments and contributions) students may be granted life membership of various organisations, which means they are exempt from paying yearly fees. (See also Compulsory subscription.)

Load
Load for an individual student is the sum of the weights of all the units of study in which the student is enrolled. (See also EFTSU, HECS.)

Local student
A local student is either an Australian or New Zealand citizen or Australian permanent resident. New Zealand citizens are required to pay their HECS upfront. (See also Fee type, HECS, International student.)

Major
A major is a defined program of study, generally comprising specified units of study from later stages of the award course. Students select and transfer between majors by virtue of their selection of units of study. One or more majors may be prescribed in order to satisfy course requirements. Majors may be included on testamurs. (See also Award course, Minor, Stream.)

Major timetable clash
Used by FlexSIS to denote occasions when a student attempts to enrol in units of study which have so much overlap in the teaching times that it has been decided that students must not enrol in the units together.

Mark
An integer (rounded if necessary) between 0 and 100 inclusive, indicating a student's performance in a unit of study. (See also Grade.)

Master's degree
A postgraduate award. Master's degree courses may be offered by coursework, research only or a combination of coursework and research. Entry to the course often requires completion of an Honours year at an undergraduate level. (See also Award course.)

Method of candidature
A course is either a research course or a coursework course and so the methods of candidature are 'research' and 'coursework'. (See also Course, Course (research), Coursework.)

Minor
A minor is a defined program of study, generally comprising units of study from later stages of the award course and requiring a smaller number of credit points than a major. Students select and transfer between minors (and majors) by virtue of their selection of units of study. One or more minors may be prescribed in order to satisfy course requirements. Minors may be included on testamurs. (See also Award course, Major, Stream.)

Minor timetable clash
Used by FlexSIS to denote occasions when a student attempts to enrol in units of study which have some identical times of teaching.

Mixed mode
See Attendance mode.

Mode
See Attendance mode and Delivery mode.

Mutually exclusive units of study
See Prohibited combinations of units of study.

MyUni
MyUni is a personalised space for staff and students on the University of Sydney's intranet, called USYDnet. MyUni is used to deliver information and services directly through a central location, while also allowing users to customise certain information. Students are able to access such services as exam seat numbers, results, timetables and FlexSIS pre-enrolment and enrolment variations on MyUni. (See also UsydNet.)

Non-award course
Non-award courses are courses undertaken by students who are not seeking an award from the University. These may be students enrolled in an award course at another institution or students not seeking an award from any institution. Non-award courses are assigned a course code in the same way as award courses. A separate course code is assigned for each faculty, level (undergraduate or postgraduate) and method (research or coursework) which offers a non-award course. Various categories of non-award enrolment are recorded on FlexSIS for reporting and administrative purposes. (See also Course, Cross-institutional enrolment, Enrolment non-award.)

Non-award enrolment
See Enrolment non-award.

Non-specific credit
Non-specific credit is awarded when previous studies are deemed to have satisfied defined components of a course other than named units of study. These components include, but are not limited to:

- entire years in courses that progress through the successful completion of a set of prescribed units of study per year
- a set number of credit points within a particular discipline or level (ie, first, second or third year)
- one or more semesters for research courses.

(See also Credit, Specific credit.)

OPRS
Overseas Postgraduate Research Scholarship.

Orientation Week
Orientation or 'O Week', takes place during the week prior to lectures in Semester 1. During O Week, students can join various clubs, societies and organisations, register for courses with departments and take part in activities provided by the University of Sydney Union.

Part-time student
See Attendance status, EFTSU.

Permanent home address
The permanent home address is the address for all official University correspondence both inside and outside of semester time (eg, during semester breaks), unless overridden by semester address. (See also Addresses, Business address, Semester address, Temporary address.)

PhD
The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and other doctorate awards are the highest awards available at the University of Sydney. A PhD course is normally purely research-based; the candidate submits a thesis that is an original contribution to the field of study. Entry to a PhD course often requires completion of a master's degree course. Note that the PhD course is available in most departments in the University of Sydney. (See also Award course, Doctorate.)

Postgraduate
A term used to describe a course leading to an award such as graduate diploma, a master's degree or PhD, which usually requires prior completion of a relevant undergraduate degree (or diploma) course. A 'postgraduate' is a student enrolled in such a course.

Potential graduand
Potential graduands are students who have been identified as being eligible to graduate on the satisfactory completion of their current studies. (See also Graduand, Graduation.)

Precedents
Where a credit applicant has credit approved in terms of the granting of specific or non-specific credit on the basis of study previously taken, a precedent is established at system level. Any other credit applicant subsequently seeking credit on the basis of the same pattern of previous study will be eligible to have the item of credit to be immediately approved on the basis of the previously approved precedent. (See also Credit.)
Pre-enrolment
Pre-enrolment takes place in October for the following year. Students indicate their choice of unit of study for enrolment for the following year. After results are approved, registered students are regarded as enrolled in those units of study they chose and for which they are qualified. Their status is ‘enrolled’ and remains so provided they pay any money owing or comply with other requirements by the due date. Re-enrolling students who do not successfully register in their units of study for the next regular session are required to attend the University on set dates during the January/February enrolment period. Pre-enrolment is also known as provisional re-enrolment. (See also Enrolment.)

Prerequisite
A prerequisite is a unit of study that is required to be completed before another unit of study can be attempted. (See also Assumed knowledge, Corequisite, Waiver.)

Prizes
Prizes are awarded by the University, a faculty or a department for outstanding academic achievement. Full details can be found in the University Calendar.

Probationary candidature
A probationary candidate is a student who is enrolled in a postgraduate course on probation for a period of time up to one year. The head of department is required to consider the candidate’s progress during the period of probation and make a recommendation for normal candidature or otherwise to the faculty.

Progression
See Course progression.

Prohibition (prohibited combinations of units of study)
When two or more units of study contain a sufficient overlap of content, enrolment in any one such unit prohibits enrolment in any other identified unit. A unit related in this way to any other unit is linked in tables of units of study via use of the symbol N to identify related prohibited units.

Provisional re-enrolment
See Pre-enrolment.

Qualification
A qualification is an academic attainment recognised by the University.

Registrar
The Registrar is responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for the keeping of official records and associated policy and procedures within the University. (See the University Calendar for details.)

Registration
In addition to enrolling with the faculty in units of study, students must register with the department responsible for teaching each unit. This is normally done during Orientation Week.

Note that unlike enrolment, registration is not a formal record of units attempted by the student.

Research course
See Course (research).

Research supervisor
A supervisor is appointed to each student undertaking a research postgraduate degree. The person will be a full-time member of the academic staff or a person external to the University appointed in recognition of their association with the clinical teaching or the research work of the University. A research supervisor is commonly referred to as a supervisor. (See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor (teacher), Supervision.)

Resolutions of Senate
Regulations determined by the Senate of the University of Sydney that pertain to degree and diploma course requirements and other academic or administrative matters.

Result processing
Refers to the processing of assessment results for units of study. Departments tabulate results for all assessment activities of a unit of study and assign preliminary results for each unit of study. Preliminary results are considered by the relevant board of examiners, which approves final results. Students are notified of results by result notices that list final marks and grades for all units of study. (See also Assessment, Examination period.)

Result processing schedule
The result processing schedule will be determined for each academic cycle. It is expected that all departments and faculties will comply with this schedule. (See also Assessment, Examination period, Result processing.)

Results
The official statement of the student’s performance in each unit of study attempted, as recorded on the academic transcript, usually expressed as a grade:

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MINC  Incomplete with a mark of at least 50

This result may be used when examiners have grounds (such as illness or misadventure) for seeking further information or for considering additional work from the student before confirming the final mark and passing grade. Except in special cases approved by the Academic Board, this result will be converted to a normal passing mark and grade either:
• by the dean at the review of examination results conducted pursuant to section 2 (4) of the Academic Board policy 'Examinations and Assessment Procedures'; or
• automatically to the indicated mark and grade by the third week of the immediately subsequent academic session.

Deans are authorised to approve the extension of a MINC grade for individual students having a valid reason for their incomplete status.

INC  Incomplete

This result is used when examiners have grounds (such as illness or misadventure) for seeking further information or for considering additional work from the student before confirming the final result. Except in special cases approved by the Academic Board, this result will be converted to a normal permanent passing or failing grade either:
• by the dean at the review of examination results conducted pursuant to section 2 (4) of the Academic Board policy 'Examinations and Assessment Procedures'; or
• automatically to an AF grade by the third week of the immediately subsequent academic session.

Deans are authorised to approve the extension of a INC grade for individual students having a valid reason for their incomplete status.

UCN  Incomplete

A MTNC or INC grade is converted, on the advice of the dean, to UCN when all or many students in a unit of study have not completed the requirements of the unit. The students may be engaged in practicum or clinical placements, or in programs extending beyond the end of semester (eg, Honours).

Scholarships

Scholarships are financial or other forms of support made available by sponsors to assist Australian and international students to pursue their studies at the University. When a student's means are a criterion, scholarships are sometimes called bursaries. (See also Prizes.)

School

See Department.

SCR

System change request.

Semester

A semester is a session whose dates are determined by the Academic Board. Normally all undergraduate sessions will conform to the semesters approved by the Academic Board. Any offering of an undergraduate unit not conforming to the semester dates must be given special permission by the Academic Board.

Semester address

The semester address is the address to which all official University correspondence is sent during semester time, if it is different to the permanent address. Unless overridden by a temporary address all official University correspondence during semester (including Session 4 for students enrolled in Summer School) will be sent to this address. (See also Addresses, Business address, Permanent home address, Temporary address)

Senate

The Senate of the University is the governing body of the University. (See the University Calendar.)

Senate appeals

Senate appeals are held for those students who, after being excluded by the faculty from a course, appeal to the Senate for readmission. While any student may appeal to the Senate against an academic decision, such an appeal will normally be heard only after the student has exhausted all other avenues - ie, the department, faculty, board of study and, in the case of postgraduates, the Committee for Graduate Studies. (See also Exclusion.)

Session

A session is a teaching period that defines the offering of a unit of study. A session cannot be longer than six months. Session offerings are approved by the relevant dean, taking into account all the necessary resources, including teaching space and staffing. The Academic Board must approve variation to the normal session pattern.

Session address

See Semester address.

Special consideration

Candidates who have medical or other serious problems, which may affect performance in any assessment, may request that they be given special consideration in relation to the determination of their results.

They can obtain an official form from the Student Centre. The Student Centre stamps the form and the medical or other documentation. The student gives a copy of the material to the Student Centre staff and takes copies to the relevant departments. The student retains the originals. The dates for which special consideration is sought are recorded on FlexSIS and printed on the examination register.

Special permission

See Waiver.

Specific credit

Specific credit is awarded when previous studies are entirely equivalent to one or more named units of study offered by the University of Sydney that contribute to the course in which the applicant has been admitted. (See also Credit, Non-specific credit.)

Sponsorship

Sponsorship is the financial support of a student by a company or government body. Sponsors are frequently invoiced directly.

SRS

SRS is the student record system responsible, prior to FlexSIS, for the processing of student records. The functions of SRS are gradually being incorporated into FlexSIS. (See also FlexSIS.)

Stage

For the purposes of administration, a course may be divided into stages to be studied consecutively. The stages may be related to sessions or they may relate to an academic cycle. Part-time students progress through a course more slowly and would often enrol in the same stage more than once.

Status

Status is a variable for students both with relation to course and unit of study. With relation to course, students can have the status of enrolled or not enrolled. 'Not enrolled' reasons can be: totally discontinued, withdrawn, suspended, cancelled, awarded, etc.

With relation to unit of study, students can have the status of CURENR or WITHDN, discontinued, etc.

Stream

A stream is a defined program of study within an award course, which requires the completion of a program of study specified by the course rules for the particular stream, in addition to the core program specified by the course rules for the award course. Students enrolled in award courses that involve streams will have the stream recorded in their enrolment record. Students normally enter streams at the time of admission, although some award courses require students to enrol in streams after the completion of level 1000 units of study. Where permitted to do so by faculty resolution, students may transfer from one stream to another, within an award course, provided they meet criteria approved by the Academic Board on the advice of the faculty concerned. A stream will appear with the award course name on testamurs - eg, Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering (Construction Management). (See also Award course, Major, Minor.)

Student ID card

All students who enrol are issued with an identification card. The card includes the student name, SID, the course code, and a library borrower's bar code. The card identifies the student as eligible to attend classes and must be displayed at formal
examinations. It must be presented to secure student concessions and to borrow books from all sections of the University Library.

**Student identifier (SID)**
A 9-digit number which uniquely identifies a student at the University.

**Student load**
See Load.

**Study Abroad Program**
A scheme administered by the International Education Office which allows international students who are not part of an exchange program, to take units of study at the University of Sydney, but not towards an award program. In most cases the units of study taken here are credited towards an award at their home institution. (See also Exchange student.)

**Subject area**
A unit of study may be associated with one or more subject areas. The subject area can be used to define prerequisite and course rules - eg, the unit of study 'History of Momoyama and Edo Art' may count towards the requirements for the subject areas 'Art History and Theory' and 'Asian Studies'.

**Summer School**
See Sydney Summer School.

**Supervision**
The supervising faculty is the faculty which has the responsibility for managing the academic administration of a particular course - ie, the interpretation and administration of course rules, approving students' enrolments and variations to enrolments. Normally the supervising faculty is the faculty offering the course. However, in the case of combined courses, one of the two faculties involved will usually be designated the supervising faculty at any given time. Further, in the case where one course is jointly offered by two or more faculties (eg, the Liberal Studies course) a joint committee may make academic decisions about candidature and the student may be assigned a supervising faculty for administration.

The International Office has a supporting role in the administration of the candidatures of international students and alerts the supervising faculty to any special conditions applying to these candidatures (eg, that enrolment must be full-time). (See also Board of studies.)

**Supervision**
Supervision refers to a one-to-one relationship between a student and a nominated member of the academic staff or a person specifically appointed to the position. (See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor [teacher], Research supervisor.)

**Supplementary examinations**
Supplementary exams may be offered by faculties to students who fail to achieve a passing grade or who were absent from assessment due to illness or misadventure.

**Suppression of results**
Results for a particular student can be suppressed by the University for the following reasons:
- the student is facing disciplinary action.

**Suspension**
See Course leave.

**Sydney Summer School**
Sydney Summer School is a program of accelerated, intensive study running for approximately 6 weeks during January and February each year. Both undergraduate and postgraduate units are offered. Summer School provides an opportunity for students at Sydney and other universities to catch up on needed units of study, to accelerate completion of a course or to undertake a unit that is outside their award course. All units are full fee-paying and enrolled students are also liable for compulsory subscriptions. Some fee-waiver scholarships are available.

**Teaching department**
See Department.

**Temporary address**
Students may advise the University of a temporary address. Correspondence will be sent to this address between the dates specified by the student. (See also Addresses, Business address, Permanent home address, Semester address.)

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**Testamur**
A testamur is a certificate of award provided to a graduate usually at a graduation ceremony.

**Thesis**
A thesis is a major work that is the product of an extended period of supervised independent research. 'Earliest date' means the earliest date at which a research student can submit the thesis. 'Latest date' means the latest date at which a research student can submit the thesis.

**Timetable**
Timetable refers to the schedule of lectures, tutorials, laboratories and other academic activities that a student must attend.

**Transfer**
See Course transfer.

**Tuition fees**
Tuition fees may be charged to students in designated tuition fee-paying courses. Students who pay fees are not liable for HECS.

**UAC**
The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) receives and processes applications for admission to undergraduate courses at recognised universities in NSW and the ACT. Most commencing undergraduate students at the University apply through UAC.

**UAC admissions**
Most local undergraduates (including local undergraduate fee payers) apply through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC).

The University Admissions Office coordinates the processing of UAC applicants with faculties and departments and decisions are recorded on the UAC system.

Applicants are notified by UAC and an electronic file of applicants who have been made offers of admission to courses at the University is loaded onto FlexSIS. (See also Admission, Direct admissions.)

**UAI (Universities Admission Index)**
The Universities Admission Index (UAI) is a number between 0.00 and 100.00 with increments of 0.05. It provides a measure of overall academic achievement in the HSC that assists universities in ranking applicants for university selection. The UAI is based on the aggregate of scaled marks in ten units of the HSC.

**Undergraduate**
A term used to describe a course leading to a diploma or bachelor's degree. An 'undergraduate' is a student enrolled in such a course.

**Unit of study**
A unit of study is the smallest stand-alone component of a student's course that is recordable on a student's transcript. Units of study have an integer credit point value, normally in the range 3-24. Each approved unit of study is identified by a unique sequence of eight characters, consisting of a four character alphabetical code which usually identifies the department or subject area, and a four character numeric code which identifies the particular unit of study. Units of study can be grouped by subject and level. (See also Core unit of study, Course, Major.)

**Unit of study enrolment status**
The enrolment status indicates whether the student is still actively attending the unit of study (ie, currently enrolled) or is no longer enrolled (withdrawn or discontinued).

**Unit of study group**
A grouping of units of study within a course. The units of study which make up the groups are defined within FlexSIS.

**Unit of study level**
Units of study are divided into Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Honours, Year 5, and Year 6. Most majors consist of 32 Senior credit points in a subject area (either 3000 level units of study or a mix of 2000 and 3000 level units of study).

**University**
Unless otherwise indicated, University in this document refers to the University of Sydney.

**University Medal**
A faculty may recommend the award of a University Medal to students qualified for the award of an undergraduate Honours degree or some master's degrees, whose academic performance is judged outstanding.
UPA
University Postgraduate Award.

USYDnet
USYDnet is the University of Sydney’s intranet system. In addition to the customised MyUni service, it provides access to other services such as directories (maps, staff and student, organisations), a calendar of events (to which staff and students can submit entries), and a software download area. (See also MyUni.)

Variation of enrolment
See Enrolment variation.

Vice-Chancellor
The chief executive officer of the University, responsible for its leadership and management. The Vice-Chancellor is head of both academic and administrative divisions.

Waiver
In a prescribed course, a faculty may waive the prerequisite or corequisite requirement for a unit of study or the course rules for a particular student. Unlike credit, waivers do not involve a reduction in the number of credit points required for a course. (See also Credit.)

Weighted average mark (WAM)
The Weighted Average Mark (WAM) is the average mark in the unit of study completed, weighted according to credit point value and level. The formulae used to calculate the WAMs are course-specific: there are many different WAMs in the University.

Year of first enrolment (YFE)
The year in which a student first enrolls at the University.

Youth Allowance
Youth Allowance is payable to a full-time student or trainee aged 16-24 years of age; and enrolled at an approved institution such as a school, college, TAFE or university, and undertaking at least 15 hours a week face-to-face contact. Youth Allowance replaces AUSTUDY.
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