

#### POSTGRADUATE PROSPECTUS

2016-17

## **GLOBAL** GLOBAL WELFARE

# WELCOME TO THE RVC.

# CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY.

#### LOOKING FORWARD TO AN EXCITING FUTURE

You could be forgiven for thinking that, seeing as we've been around since 1791, we're fond of looking backwards. We're certainly proud of all our achievements, but what inspires us and ignites our curiosity is what is yet to be achieved.

Discovery is our heartbeat. It drives us on through our work with animals and in nursing, and it reinforces our commitment to science and research. It's what we all share here at the Royal Veterinary College, and we're looking forward to sharing it with you. The RVC is part of **£125m** bioscience research funding boost

### State of the art

sports medicine, osteoarthritis and pain clinic opens for athlete and working dogs

Part of LUIP<sup>2</sup>; a collaboration of 18 WORID CLASS

institutions seeking to promote London as a world class destination for higher education

<sup>1</sup> According to the Research Excellence Framework (REF2014) <sup>2</sup> LUIP – London Universities International Partnership The RVC researchers help map ••BIG BANG of bird evolution

## 1st

for veterinary research in England and Wales<sup>1</sup>

# £5m

awarded as part of a multimillion pound research programme to combat worldwide animal diseases that could spread to humans

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Since 1791, the Royal Veterinary College, University of London, has been pushing forward the scientific frontiers of animal health and medicine. Join us today, and you'll find a vibrant and growing postgraduate community that provides taught courses and research degrees that cover a wide range of specialist subjects, each one contributing to the improvement of treatment, understanding and welfare of animals in all areas of society, across the world.

Led by teams of internationally-renowned scientists, the RVC provides the opportunity to study the conservation and preservation of species in the wild and captivity, understand the economic importance of animals to local and global communities, explore how advances in farming methods can improve animal welfare and productivity, and experience state-of-the-art teaching approaches to help you engage the next generation of veterinary scientists, surgeons and nurses.

Our clinical programme offers prestigious access to the RVC's world-leading referral services, with clinical training scholarships led by our team of board-certified experts. You can gain a specialism in one of many aspects of small animal, equine and farm animal medicine. In addition, graduate diplomas for veterinary nurses open up networking opportunities with some of the best clinical specialists in the UK. You can be secure in the knowledge that the RVC carries the most working professional accreditations of any veterinary school in the world.

An active research environment is critical to maintaining the relevance and dynamism of postgraduate life, and all of our programmes are supported by internationally-recognised research scientists who are engaged in projects that have global partners. We run joint programmes with the Zoological Society of London and the London School of Tropical Hygiene & Medicine. Students enrolled on postgraduate degrees at the RVC will often find themselves embedded in joint research groups, gaining valuable experience from working with scientists from many disciplines. The direct access to research materials, patients and experimental models is unique to the RVC, and our focus on Global Health, Global Welfare means that interactions between these varied research programmes generate one of the most fertile environments in which to train.

In uncertain economic times, access to postgraduate education and training is ever more valuable and relevant. We deliver many of our programmes in a range of formats; full- or part-time, face-to-face, distance or blended learning; whatever way in which you engage with postgraduate life at the RVC, you'll find support from professionals to ensure you have a productive, enjoyable and successful experience. And upon graduation, you'll find that wherever in the world your postgraduate qualifications take you, belonging to the RVC family makes a real difference.

#### Stuart W.J. Reid

Principal

### **Global Health,** Global Welfare

The Royal Veterinary College is recognised as a world leader in scientific learning. And when you choose to take your studies to postgraduate level, you can rest assured that you will receive the finest teaching and benefit from the very best research facilities available.

We are committed to remaining at the very forefront of modern practice and research, and at the end of your time with us, you'll be equipped to face any challenge that your career may present you with.

We're based on two exceptional sites. One is in the heart of the English countryside and provides state-of-the-art facilities – not to mention many unique opportunities for hands-on learning – while our other site is in the centre of one of the world's foremost cities for learning and discovery.

Our London Campus is an outward-looking centre of excellence that is designed to meet the needs of both domestic and international students by offering world-class postgraduate programmes. The campus is based in Camden, which is a bustling borough in the heart of the capital and, away from your studies, you will find plenty to explore and enjoy.

We offer a range of taught and research-based courses and are proud to count many renowned academics as members of staff. They play an important role on the international stage, and their inspirational teaching methods will inspire you to make your own contribution to improving human and animal health and welfare. We offer a broad range of postgraduate courses – everything from Veterinary Epidemiology to Wild Animal Biology – and you can be sure of making a difference in your chosen area of focus.

Naturally, our taught courses are underpinned by research and again, this is an area in which we excel. The RVC is ranked first for veterinary research in England and Wales according to the Research Excellence Framework (REF2014).

The level and breadth of our postgraduate offering here at the RVC demonstrates our commitment to developing your skills and knowledge, and to providing you with a platform for a fulfilling and rewarding career. Welcome to the RVC.



### International students We're here for you – in so many ways

As one of the world's finest biological science and veterinary institutions, we attract students from across the globe and our accredited degrees are recognised in almost every corner of the planet. We're based in central London in the heart of London's science and medical research zone. We do understand that studying in another country is a big undertaking, so we hope these 10 reasons will help provide some reassurance in choosing to apply to us...

#### 1) YOU CAN COUNT ON US

The RVC has a long history of welcoming international students. You will find a close, supportive environment. Our global reputation has drawn students from over 50 different countries, as well as staff from over 48 different countries. Wherever you're from, while studying at the RVC, you can be assured that we understand your needs.

You will be greeted with a friendly and familiar welcome from the moment you arrive, and we will still be there for you on the day you graduate (and beyond). We're also small enough to care, and unlike in some other bigger universities, our staff will make the effort to get to know you well and will make time for you if you want to talk.

#### 2) OUR PRESTIGE AND INNOVATION

You will study at the oldest veterinary college in the English speaking world – and that goes a long way to making us one of the best. There's no two ways about it: you will gain a world-class education from a renowned college of the University of London.

#### **3) OUR INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT**

Our global networks are wide-ranging and internationalisation is a major element of everything we do. We're part of the London University International Partners (LUIP) and have been awarded the Erasmus+ Charter. We also have PhD opportunities in the Science Without Borders programme.

#### 4) WE'RE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED

Our staff bring a wealth of international experience through our research links, which include collaborative work in countries such as Canada, China, the USA, India, Bolivia, Thailand, Sri Lanka and Vietnam, to name just a few.

#### 5) UNPARALLELED HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

You will get an enormous amount of experience in our research laboratories, hospitals, affiliated practices and our RVC farm.

#### 6) EMPLOYERS WILL TAKE NOTICE

All our courses are designed to make you attractive to future employers. Postgraduate students go on to make an impact around the world.

#### 7) LONDON LIFE

London is culturally diverse and an extremely vibrant city to study in; it's home to over 100,000 international students from over 200 countries.

#### 8) THE ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE

The green fields and picturesque villages surrounding our campus in Hertfordshire will soon become a home from home.

#### 9) WE'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

A special induction programme for international students takes place at the start of each academic year, and ongoing support will be provided by your personal and academic tutors and the student support team. This includes help and advice on adapting to British methods of teaching, learning and assessment throughout your course. Our Students' Union also has an international student representative to support you.

# For more international insight: www.rvc.ac.uk/international

#### **10) YOU CAN MEET US IN ADVANCE**

Our representatives regularly visit countries around the world to actively meet students. To find out when we might be visiting your country next, visit: **www.rvc.ac.uk/international** 

#### THE RVC GLOBAL NETWORK:

#### **FIND OUT MORE**

UK Council for International Student Affairs: www.ukcisa.org.uk

Education UK, British Council: www.educationuk.org



# **10 GOOD REASONS**

We're convinced that we offer students some of the best postgraduate training in the world, but if you're in two minds about where to study next year, allow us to very gently twist your arm...

Based in the dynamic **city of London**, you'll be able to enjoy all that the capital has to offer



We're proud to be ranked **first for veterinary research** in England and Wales



TO STUDY AT THE RVC

Want hands-on experience? The RVC runs three animal hospitals which treat over 20,000 patients per year

We have a staff of worldrenowned researchers who are experts in their fields





With a unique range of high quality physical, virtual and social learning environments at your disposal, you'll benefit from the finest facilities, advanced technology and enthusiastic and inspiring academic staff

### WWW.RVC.AC.UK

We're independent, which means that we are able to invest in innovation and set our own agenda when it comes to theory and practice





Our courses are internationally recognised and respected – qualify with us and **you could work almost anywhere in the world** 



We own the London BioScience Innovation Centre (LBIC), which is home to over **40 biotechnology and life science companies** – from small start-ups to more established players We deliver courses to fit in with the needs of our students: **full-time**, **part-time or via distance and interactive e-learning** 





Graduates have gone on to work for the **United Nations** and the **World Health Organization** 





### A message from your Postgraduate Presidents

Hello and welcome to the RVC, and for international students, the UK! Founded in 1791, the RVC is the oldest and best vet school in the UK. The RVC is not just a vet school, however, as it is also famous for the high quality research that goes on here. You would be joining an institution with well-equipped state-of-the-art labs, an important postgraduate community and leading researchers at the forefront of their fields.

#### **POSTGRADUATE STUDENT LIFE AT THE RVC**

Embarking on a postgraduate course, particularly a long research degree, can feel like a daunting journey. But at the RVC you are never alone; the research groups are friendly and welcoming, while the SU provides the opportunity to play hard/work hard and meet postgraduates from other labs and backgrounds.

The postgraduate community is varied in terms of courses, nationalities, ages and therefore interests. While some postgraduates have come straight from a previous degree, others are mature students, having returned from the working world. Some support a family and would rather just get on with their degree while others are keen to take part in social activities and clubs. The flexibility of postgraduate courses, particularly research degrees, means that you can manage your own time and make it easier to fit your work around your commitments, whether a family or social/sports events. Both the research groups and the Students' Union caters for this range of needs.

All SU clubs and societies welcome new members of all levels whether first-timers or the very experienced. London Campus boasts a brand new gym with FREE membership, while up at Hertfordshire Campus we have our own sports fields, tennis courts, gym, SU building with games room and sofas – all of which are free of charge. Being part of the University of London (UoL) means we also get the best of all the facilities available across the capital.

#### **PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

In addition to pursuing your course, there are many workshops on offer, which will equip you with valuable transferable skills, and will increase your employability. You have access to these courses for free at the RVC, as well as having the possibility of attending workshops and courses organised in other UoL Colleges. You can also get some hands-on teaching experience by taking on undergraduates to help you in your project.

In short, the RVC has a strong community spirit with a friendly atmosphere while offering a stimulating work environment.

At the RVC, you will not only receive the best possible education from the highest qualified specialists in the field (thereby boosting your career), but you will have the very best time getting there!

We look forward to meeting you as you embark upon your new journey!

Florence and Marie Postgraduate Presidents























### Live and learn Your Students' Union

As in other universities, our students have an official body to take them away from the books – the Students' Union (SU). The SU is there to represent your interests, to raise awareness of issues that will affect you, to raise money for charities by hosting events and most of all, to help you have fun.

#### **GET INVOLVED**

The SU organise scores of social events every year including RAG Week and several dance/dinners.

It also offers a huge array of sports clubs and societies that everyone's welcome to join, and plenty of other events and distractions to get involved with along the way.

The SU will also help you keep in touch beyond your time with us, through its work with RVC4life.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

Fancy stretching yourself in other areas? We offer language courses including: French, German, Japanese and Arabic. Also on offer are Arts classes, the Zoological Society (affiliated with the Zoological Society of London), Choir and various clinical clubs.

#### SPORT

From badminton to wakeboarding, we probably have the most diverse range of sports of any of the small and specialist colleges in the University of London (UoL) and, in our opinion, the best facilities of any other veterinary school or faculty in the UK. And if we don't cater for your specific sporting needs, you're welcome to use the facilities at any other UoL college.

We currently have over 500 regular participants (including undergraduates) in sports, with clubs catering for all abilities from experienced players to complete novices – so if you fancy trying something new, you'll always be welcome. All our teams have the option of competing in leagues against other London universities, and we're proud to say that the RVC is well known for punching above its weight when it comes to sporting success!

Find out more about our teams at: www.su.rvc.ac.uk

#### WELFARE

The SU welfare officers and international officer work closely with RVC's student support services to promote awareness of general and mental health, as well as supporting students in any unforeseen circumstances. The SU's efforts in this area are helped by the fact that we're a reasonably small college, and it is relatively easy to cater for individual needs and provide a personal service.

#### **GET OUT THERE!**

Both campuses have their own Union-run bars: The Buttery, our small but mighty bar at the Hawkshead Campus, has been around since 1960 (although it has been recently refurbished!) and is infamous throughout the UK veterinary community. The Haxby, meanwhile, is one of the more recent, and welcome, additions to the Camden Campus.

## **66** Helping you thrive, not just survive

#### CAMPAIGNS

Through a network of year representatives and executive officers, the SU also runs internal and external campaigns aimed at enhancing student life and creating awareness of national and international student affairs.

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

See www.su.rvc.ac.uk

#### STUDENT CENTRAL

RVC students are entitled to free membership of Student Central. This is great for culture, sports and socialising as it makes you part of a bigger student family scattered throughout London, with a wide range of student services, including a fantastic gym and several bars.

Student Central Malet Street London WC1E 7HY Telephone: +44 (0)20 7664 2000 Email: general.studentcentral@london.ac.uk www.studentcentral.london

The Student Central building is a 20 minute walk from the RVC Camden Campus.



### London Campus City of discovery

There can be no doubt that the capital of Great Britain is at the forefront of scientific excellence; it leads the way in research and innovation, and draws upon a rich heritage of landmark clinical advances.

Our London Campus is right in the centre of this academic focal point and will provide you with every opportunity to make the most of your postgraduate studies – and to enjoy your social life to the full.

The main campus building delivers a variety of study environments, social spaces and great facilities, including teaching and research laboratories, a Learning Resources Centre, and an extensive anatomy museum and dissection room.

Naturally, we provide high quality open-access computers and our library is well-stocked with books on science and medicine from both a human and a veterinary perspective. Additionally, the RVC provides onsite access to almost 3,000 electronic journals and databases and some offsite via the Athens portal.

Based in Camden, the London Campus is also home to the London Bioscience and Innovation Centre (LBIC), which provides a focus for life science and biotech company activity.

Camden itself is a thriving, bustling borough in inner London that welcomes international visitors. Famous for its markets, cultural buzz and music venues, it's a fantastic place to experience student life. It is also home to a beautiful canal and lock, Regents Park, ZSL London Zoo and an abundance of bars, music venues and nightclubs.

You'll be within easy walking distance of King's Cross, St Pancras International and Euston train stations, as well as Mornington Crescent and Camden Town Underground stations and Camden Road Overground station. Situated between Camden Town and Bloomsbury, it really does allow easy access to all areas of London.

Students are entitled to discounted travel in the capital and many of the major excellent research centres such as the British Library are free or offer reduced entry rates. These institutions provide environments that inspire learning and they will encourage you to make a valuable contribution to your chosen area of postgraduate study.



Postgraduate taught students are based in London, whilst most research students are based in Hertfordshire.

### Hertfordshire Campus A culture of innovation

While it's true that our Hertfordshire Campus is nestled within rolling fields in the beautiful English countryside, it boasts the very latest facilities and is a bustling hub of veterinary research. The RVC enjoys a long tradition of being at the forefront of clinical discovery and many of our groundbreaking advances have been nurtured here in rural Hertfordshire.

A newly-built student village, refectory, and leisure facilities mean the campus is essentially self-contained, and it is close to Potters Bar train station, which is just a 20 minute train journey from central London (we even run a free minibus service to and from the station).

Your postgraduate studies will benefit from unrivalled facilities at this modern, open campus. For example, the Centre for Excellence in Lifelong and Independent Veterinary Education (LIVE) is the only such facility with a veterinary focus in the UK – it was established less than a decade ago with an investment of nearly  $\pounds$ 5 million.

Hertfordshire Campus is also home to the innovative Clinical Skills Centre (the first of its kind in Britain) and the Mill Reef Pathology Building, which houses a modern post-mortem hall, a 200-seat lecture theatre (with direct video links to the main hall), and a suite of pathology service and research labs.

Meanwhile, the clinical facilities on campus (The Queen Mother Hospital for Animals, Equine Practice, Equine Referral Hospital and Farm Animal Clinical Centre) provide unparalleled opportunities for hands-on clinical experience. The Hertfordshire Campus is an environment that's purpose-built for enquiring minds and your postgraduate studies will be all the better for it.

Nevertheless, student life doesn't revolve around relentless study and when it comes to downtime, the campus has all the amenities you could need, from a gym to a popular on-site bar called The Buttery.

Alternatively, head outdoors and explore everything that our 575-acre site has to offer.



### Live and learn Accommodation

Most postgraduate students choose to live in private accommodation, whether in London or Hertfordshire. We have a few places available for PG taught students in our halls of residence, so please enquire if you are interested.

#### **PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION**

Privately rented accommodation can be found all over London.

University of London Housing Services (ULHS) maintains a landlord registration scheme, operates a contact list for students offering or wanting accommodation, and assists with tenancy agreement, deposit and rent queries. It supplies a Tenancy Agreement Pack for most self-contained accommodation, a Licence Pack for accommodation with a resident landlord, and lists of registered accommodation agencies, hostels and inexpensive hotels.

University of London Housing Services, University of London Union, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HY Telephone: +44 (0)20 7862 8880 Email: housing@lon.ac.uk www.housing.london.ac.uk

Private accommodation is also available through local letting agencies or private landlords in and around the Potters Bar area.

#### **RESIDENCE HALLS**

College Grove – Camden, London Mary Brancker House – Kentish Town, London New Student Village – Hertfordshire campus Odiham Hall – Hertfordshire campus

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5147 or +44 (0)20 7468 5149 Email: admissions@rvc.ac.uk



### Live and learn Social

An active social life is as much a part of College life as studying. And whatever kind of activity you enjoy or fancy getting involved in, you'll find it either right here at the RVC or just around the corner...

With one campus right in the heart of London and one in the middle of the Hertfordshire countryside (yet just 20 minutes away from Kings Cross), you can enjoy your spare time at top speed... or at a more relaxing pace.

And if you're unfamiliar with the place and asking yourself, 'What's happening in London?' The answer is: everything.

#### IN THE THICK OF IT

London truly is one of the world's great cities. It's vibrant and fast-paced and there's plenty to see and do. Whether it's a cultural day visiting the (mainly free) museums and galleries or a hectic day fighting the shoppers on Oxford Street, London is the place to be.

Keep an eye out for student nights at the city's clubs as massive discounts can be had on production of a valid student card. Also, the RVC is part of the University of London (and the University of London Union [ULU]), which is a brilliant way to meet more people from different universities.

Many RVC social events happen in bars and clubs in London, so get stuck in and explore the capital.

#### **A LIFE LESS HECTIC**

As for Hertfordshire... well, what's not to love about some of the best countryside England has to offer? Only a short train journey from central London but a big change of scene, it is a lovely and peaceful place in which to live and study. Rural activities like walking and riding are easily accessible and the beautiful city of St Albans is a short drive (or bus trip) away.

Potters Bar itself has all the amenities that you would expect, including a supermarket, leisure centre and bank. The Hawkshead Campus itself has a student bar (The Buttery), which is cheap and a great place to hang out after a tough day.







### **One Health** (Infectious Diseases) P051476



Changing environmental, social and agro-ecological conditions are a threat to animal and human health and welfare. Many diseases can pass between animals and humans directly or indirectly through the environment or vectors, while food production, human diet and community stability are harmed by diseases that infect livestock and wildlife. Emerging animal and human diseases, such as highly pathogenic avian influenza viruses, nipah and hendra viruses, coronaviruses and Ebola viruses, emphasise the threat posed by these issues.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Diploma UKPASS Code: P051476 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Full-time (one year)/Part-time (two years) Application Deadline: July Course Begins: September or October

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The One Health approach recognises the relationship between health and disease at the human, animal and environment interfaces and has become an important focus in both medical and veterinary science. It promotes a "whole of society" treatment of health hazards and a systemic change of perspective in the management of risk.

If you are interested in One Health and infectious disease control (particularly in the developing world), then this unique Diploma or MSc course could be for you. We welcome applications from individuals with a background in public health, veterinary sciences, animal or biological sciences, social, economic and environmental sciences, ecology and wildlife health. If you are interested in this field, but do not have the relevant background, please speak with the course directors who can consider such cases on an individual basis.

The course is delivered jointly by the RVC, and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) of the University of London.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The course will provide you with:

- A comprehensive foundation on the principles of diseases in the context of socio-ecological systems, global health and food safety
- Knowledge and skills in relation to One Health methodologies, trans-disciplinary interactions and in using a systems approach
- An understanding of the One Health concept and problem solving using a trans-disciplinary methodology
- An understanding of the origin, context and drivers of infectious disease and its evolution and emergence at the human, animal and environment interface
- Impacts of multi-host infections on human, animal and ecosystem health and economics directly, or indirectly, via food, disease vectors or the environment
- A One Health systems approach to complex disease issues in risk analysis, monitoring, surveillance, diagnosis, prevention and control
- The chance to review published literature
- The chance to design a research project (MSc students only).

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

Academic qualifications: To apply for the MSc or Diploma in One Health (Infectious Diseases) you must have (or expect to receive) a first or second class university honours degree. Please contact our Admissions Office if you are unsure whether your degree is equivalent to a first or second class university honours degree. We invite applications from candidates with degrees in medicine, veterinary medicine, biological sciences, animal sciences, social sciences, statistics and economics.

If you are interested in this field, but do not have the relevant background, please speak with the course directors who can consider such cases on an individual basis.



**English language requirements:** If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English, including scientific usage and comprehension. You will be required to achieve an overall score of 7.0 in IELTS with a minimum of 6.5 in each sub-test.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Applications for taught postgraduate programmes are submitted online via UKPASS (Postgraduate Application Service). Applications for September 2015 entry open in mid-November of the previous year. If you are having problems submitting your application via UKPASS, please email admissions@rvc.ac.uk for a postgraduate application form.

Due to the high volume of applications, you must submit COMPLETE applications via UKPASS consisting of the documents below otherwise there is a high chance that your application may not be processed:

- Personal statement explaining why you would like to do the course and outlining your relevant skills and experiences.
- **2.** Scanned copies of all your relevant qualification certificates and transcripts. If your award is pending, please upload the transcript of the modules already undertaken.
- 3. TWO academic references. Please note that it is your responsibility to contact your referees and arrange for references to be provided. These should be on letter headed paper, contain the signature of the referee and should be scanned and uploaded with your UKPASS application.

If you haven't uploaded ALL the above attachments, your application may not be processed. If you are having problems obtaining the above documents, please contact admissions@rvc.ac.uk before submitting your application. You can also email your documents here if you are having trouble uploading them to UKPASS.

#### FEES 2015/16

One Health	UK/EU	International
MSc	£10,030	£17,420

If you would like to know the fees for part-time study, please contact the Admissions Office on **admissions@rvc.ac.uk** 

For funding options, please see www.rvc.ac.uk/study/ postgraduate/one-health#tab-fees-and-funding

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

A postgraduate degree from the RVC and LSHTM is highly regarded and recognised internationally. This course is one of very few face-to-face One Health courses designed to develop the skills and knowledge needed for resolving complex health challenges.

Ministers of State and international agencies have endorsed the One Health approach and governments are establishing joint committees between public health and veterinary authorities, with close links to wildlife and environmental agencies, with a view to developing inter-sectoral programmes. Our Diploma and Masters provide training to fulfil this growing demand.

Our graduates have a track record of successful careers in government, research and other organisations where they are involved in the implementation and management of health programmes.

### Veterinary Epidemiology P021864



In a world where global transport links allow rapid movement of people and animals, disease can spread more quickly than before and is harder to control than ever. In such a world there is a growing need for trained epidemiologists at the front line of disease surveillance.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Diploma UKPASS Code: P021864 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Full-time (one year)/Part-time (two years) Application Deadline: July Course Begins: September or October

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The UK leads the way in providing epidemiological training and, in order to meet the demand for skilled professionals, the RVC has developed a unique programme delivered jointly with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM).

This challenging course is led by veterinary epidemiologists and policy makers from the forefront of UK government and you will gain a fascinating insight into the work of the Department for Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs (Defra) and the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA). Your areas of study will combine LSHTM's strengths in epidemiological principles and communicable disease epidemiology, with the RVC's expertise in veterinary epidemiology, animal health and production.

The MSc programme comprises six compulsory modules, followed by a 12-week research project on a relevant topic of your choice. Diploma students study five modules only and are not required to complete a research project.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

Upon successful completion of the programme, you will be able to:

- Demonstrate and understand the key concepts underpinning the discipline of veterinary and medical epidemiology
- Select an appropriate study design when confronted with an epidemiological research question and develop a detailed study protocol capable of answering the research question
- Analyse and interpret epidemiological data derived from cross-sectional, case-control and cohort studies
- Review critically the published epidemiological literature
- Apply epidemiological principles to surveillance, and infection and disease control, within animal and human populations
- Communicate effectively with researchers from different disciplinary backgrounds
- Communicate effectively with other people with an interest in human and animal health, including the general public and key policy makers.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

Academic qualifications: You must have (or expect to receive) a first or second class university honours degree. Please contact our Admissions Office if you are unsure whether your degree is equivalent to a first or second class university honours degree. As this is a multidisciplinary subject, we welcome candidates from many different backgrounds. If you have a degree in veterinary science, biological science, veterinary or human medicine, mathematics or statistics, and relevant postgraduate or veterinary work experience, then we encourage you to apply. Applicants are expected to have a high level of numeracy skills (e.g. A level Mathematics or Statistics or a module with a good mark in their university degree).



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#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

Demand for trained veterinary epidemiologists currently outstrips supply, and there are excellent opportunities in a variety of organisations involved in disease control at national, regional and international level, as well as in teaching, research and various food-related industries.

RVC graduates hold senior positions within government departments in many different countries. Many go on to work alongside the people who have taught them during the previous year. Within the UK, graduates are employed by Defra and at the APHA, as well as in research centres and pharmaceutical companies.

Further afield, graduates from this programme work for the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organisation and the International Livestock Research Centre in Nairobi. Others hold positions in government departments in New Zealand, Thailand, Vietnam, Singapore, Spain, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Ethiopia, Zambia, Croatia, Slovenia, Ireland, Switzerland, Pakistan, Iceland, Norway and France.

Former students have also enrolled on PhDs at leading universities worldwide, including Bristol, UK, the RVC Veterinary Epidemiology, Economics and Public Health (VEEPH) Group, Cornell University, USA, and Massey University, New Zealand.

#### FEES 2015/16

Veterinary Epidemiology	UK/EU	International
MSc	£7,920	£20,060
Postgraduate Diploma	£5,380	£13,470

If you would like to know the fees for part-time study, please contact the Admissions Office on **admissions@rvc.ac.uk** 

For funding options, please see www.rvc.ac.uk/study/ postgraduate/veterinary-epidemiology

### Wild Animal Biology P025211



Wild animal biology has become increasingly popular among non-veterinarians with a first degree in zoology and biology. Recognising this, the RVC, University of London, together with the Zoological Society of London, have developed a unique course aimed at non-veterinary biological science graduates that leads to the MSc in Wild Animal Biology.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: Msc/Diploma/Certificate UKPASS Code: P025211 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Full-time (one year)/Part-time (two years) Application Deadline: March Course Begins: September

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The course will provide you with practical exposure to wild animal species and an understanding of their health and welfare, as well as providing training in research methods relevant to the study of wildlife.

You will benefit from working and studying alongside veterinary graduates taking the MSc in Wild Animal Health as well as learning from internationally renowned experts.

All three levels start at the same time, towards the end of September each year, and can be broken down broadly into three terms. The Certificate is completed by mid-January, the Diploma by mid-May, and the MSc, which includes a research project undertaken during the summer months, by mid-September.

#### WILL I LEARN?

During the programme you will acquire:

- A critical awareness of current problems in wildlife disease with implications for wildlife conservation and welfare
- A new insight into veterinary interventions for the management of captive and free-living wild animals
- A systematic understanding of the biological principles underpinning wild animal conservation and management, and the epidemiology, diagnosis and control of wildlife disease
- Basic competence in veterinary techniques and preventative medicine for wild animals
- A conceptual and practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to create knowledge in the field of wild animal health
- A comprehensive understanding of scientific skills, including critical review of the scientific literature, and design and analysis of laboratory or field studies.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

Academic qualifications: Applicants must have (or expect to receive) a university first or second class honours degree in Biology, Zoology, Animal Biology or the veterinary sciences.

We are particularly keen to see evidence of relevant work experience in a zoo, wild animal hospital or in wild animal research.

### **66 Pursue a successful career working with wildlife**



**English language requirements:** If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English, including scientific usage and comprehension. You will be required to achieve an overall score of 7.0 in IELTS with a minimum of 6.5 in each sub-test.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

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#### FEES 2015/16

Wild Animal Biology	UK/EU	International
MSc	£10,830	£21,420
Postgraduate Diploma	£7,320	£14,380
Postgraduate Certificate	£3,710	£7,240

If you would like to know the fees for part-time study, please contact the Admissions Office on **admissions@rvc.ac.uk** 

For funding options, please see www.rvc.ac.uk/study/ postgraduate/wild-animal-biology

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

Graduates of the MSc in Wild Animal Biology have gone on to pursue successful careers in wildlife management (with government agencies in both developing and developed countries), wildlife rehabilitation, wildlife-related research (at universities and zoological collections) and zoo management.

Some graduates continue to study towards a PhD with either the ZSL or RVC, or with other leading scientific research institutes.

See www.zsl.org/science/postgraduate-study/ msc-in-wild-animal-biology for detailed career profiles of some recent graduates.



#### **GRADUATE PROFILE**

Femke Broekhuis graduated from the Wild Animal Biology (WAB) course in 2007 which launched her career in cheetah research. Supervised by Dr. Sarah Durant, Femke conducted a dissertation on cheetah habitat selection after which she was awarded the Tom Kaplan Prize scholarship do a PhD with the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit (WildCRU) at the University of Oxford. She then conducted 4/5 years of research on cheetahs in the Okavango Delta assessing cheetah interactions with lions and hyaenas. Femke is currently Project Director of the Mara Cheetah Project in Kenya where she aims to determine the current cheetah population in the Greater Mara Ecosystem, identify major threats and mitigate against them by implementing a science and community-based conservation approach.

### **66** Design projects based on your interests



## **EXPLORE. EXPERIENCE. ENJOY.**

Get a real sense of what the RVC has to offer by coming along to the postgraduate information evening or one of our tours. Explore our unrivalled facilities and find out more about the courses available to you. Prepare to be amazed and inspired.









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### Wild Animal Health P006510



Over the past 40 years, interventions, for reasons of health, welfare and the conservation of free-living wild animals, have been undertaken with increasing frequency. Specialist veterinary expertise is required in order to diagnose and control diseases in wildlife.



#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Diploma/Certificate UKPASS Code: P006510 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Full-time (one year)/Part-time (two years) Application Deadline: March Course Begins: September

#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

Emerging infectious diseases are also recognised as a serious hazard, both for wild animals and for the domestic animal and human populations that interact with them. In addition, a large number of wild animal species are kept in captivity – in zoos and in laboratories – which has led to an increased demand for specialist skills and knowledge.

The MSc in Wild Animal Health is a world-class specialist programme taught jointly by the RVC and the Zoological Society of London.

Aimed at qualified veterinarians, the course will equip you with an in-depth knowledge of the management of wild animals and the epidemiology, treatment and control of wild animal disease.

All three levels start at the same time, towards the end of September each year, and can be broken down broadly into three terms. The Certificate is completed by mid-January, the Diploma by mid-May, and the MSc, which includes a research project undertaken during the summer months, by mid-September.
#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

During the programme you will acquire:

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- A systematic understanding of the biological principles underpinning wild animal conservation and management, and the epidemiology, diagnosis and treatment of wildlife disease
- Basic competence in veterinary techniques and preventative medicine for wild animals
- A conceptual and practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to create knowledge in the field of wild animal health
- A comprehensive understanding of scientific skills, including critical review of the scientific literature, and design and analysis of laboratory or field studies.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

Academic qualifications: We invite applications from candidates with a first or second class honours degree from a recognised veterinary school and at least one year of postgraduate veterinary experience.

Please contact our Admissions Office if you are unsure whether your degree is equivalent to a first or second class university honours degree.

We are keen to see evidence of relevant work experience in a zoo, wildlife rehabilitation centre or wildlife hospital, or with free-living wild animals.

**English language requirements:** If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English, including scientific usage and comprehension. You will be required to achieve an overall score of 7.0 in IELTS with a minimum of 6.5 in each sub-test.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

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Postgraduate Diploma	£7,320	£14,380
Postgraduate Certificate	£3,710	£7,240

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#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

The world-class specialist MSc in Wild Animal Health has produced over 230 graduates since its inception in 1994.

Our graduates have gone on to work with both captive and freeliving wild animals as clinicians, pathologists, epidemiologists, academics and senior management in zoological collections, national parks, universities and government departments worldwide.

Others continue to work towards a PhD or DVetMed with either the ZSL or RVC, or at other leading research institutes.

See www.zsl.org/science/postgraduate-study/msc-in-wildanimal-health for detailed career profiles of some recent graduates.

### Intensive Livestock Health and Production P049761

With global demand for food from animals continuing to grow, there are exciting opportunities for professionals working within this sector. Improvements in productivity are required to meet global demand, to ensure food security and to reduce environmental impact. This part-time, online distance learning course offers training in intensive livestock health and production.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Certificate UKPASS Code: P049761 Institution Code: RVET R84

Study Mode: Part-time, online, distance learning

**Application Deadline:** July (late applications may be accepted depending on processing time)

Course Begins: September or October

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The programme has worldwide relevance and builds on the RVC's expertise in veterinary medicine and business, animal health economics, public health, animal welfare, and teaching and learning.

There are three components to the programme:

- the Postgraduate Certificate
- the Postgraduate Diploma
- the MSc

You may choose to study either the Postgraduate Certificate or the MSc. (Note that the Postgraduate Diploma is not offered as a course in its own right.)

The course is designed for those working in the agri-food sector. This includes animal production through to retail outlets, as well as animal scientists, veterinary surgeons and other veterinary para-professionals supporting intensive livestock health and production. Many of the assignments are workplace targeted; therefore, if you are not currently working within the agri-food sector and wish to undertake the course, please contact the Admissions Office at admissions@rvc.ac.uk.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

At the end of the course you will be able to:

- Understand and evaluate theories, methods and practice of the agri-food system that can be applied to your area of the intensive livestock production industry
- Demonstrate a critical awareness of current problems and new insights from across the intensive livestock production industry
- Develop new processes/techniques to improve intensive livestock production, supporting animal health and welfare
- Identify, critically assess and address the emerging needs of the intensive livestock sector
- Adopt new techniques to improve skills development
- Be a reflective, self-evaluative and self-managing professional
- Critically appraise research and practices in livestock and related food production fields, and develop skills to undertake qualitative and quantitative research using appropriate methods
- Continue to develop independent and lifelong learning skills to promote your own personal and professional development as producer, researcher and leader.

#### MAKE THE GRADE

The MSc in Intensive Livestock Health and Production is designed for those working within the agri-food sector, with many of the assessments workplace targeted.

If you are not currently working within the agri-food sector but wish to undertake the course please contact the Programme Administrator.

Academic qualifications: To apply for the MSc you must have a university degree. We invite applications from candidates with degrees in veterinary medicine or an honours degree (first or second class) in biological sciences, animal sciences or livestock production.



Other experience may be deemed equivalent, and other degrees may be accepted at the discretion of the Course Directors. Please contact the Admissions Office at admissions@rvc.ac.uk for further information.

**English language requirements:** If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English, including scientific usage and comprehension. You will be required to achieve an overall score of 7.0 in IELTS (Academic) with a minimum of 6.5 in each sub-test.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

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#### FEES 2015/16

Intensive Livestock		
Health and Production	UK/EU	International
MSc	£6,180	£6,180
Postgraduate Certificate	£2,060	£2,060

For funding options, please see www.rvc.ac.uk/study/ postgraduate/intensive-livestock-health-and-production

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# **66 Drive forward the productivity and sustainability of food production**

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

This programme is designed to allow students to acquire skills and knowledge that they can apply to their own work-based situation. Choosing modules to suit their own needs, students can learn subjects from nutrition, disease, food safety, and epidemiology to mention just a few. New methods, products and processes, utilising best practice in ethically appropriate ways in each of these modules will be discussed and considered together with an understanding of economics and business efficiency.

The course will also provide you with the potential to reduce the risks in the sector associated with major exotic disease (e.g. avian and porcine influenza) incursions and new challenges from novel pathogens and toxins.

You will gain a thorough understanding of current industry methods from farm to retail. Equipped with the skills to refine these methods, you will be able to make a significant positive contribution to food security in areas such as animal welfare and public health.

#### WHAT THE PROFESSIONALS SAY:

"These new training schemes are very welcome. Over the next 10 years we need 60,000 new people across the skills pyramid which exists within the agriculture and horticulture sectors. At the highest skill level, there is a significant number of people who require the specialist research and scientific expertise needed to drive forward productivity and sustainability of food production in the UK. This scheme will provide a vital mechanism to develop those skills within the sector."

Richard Longthorp, Chair of the AgriSkills Forum

"This is a great opportunity for the farming industry in the UK. We need all the advisers and technicians involved in agriculture and horticulture to be able to engage with cutting edge science, and these training programmes will support them to do so. It is vital that the UK retains the best people and enhances their skills in agronomy, soil management, animal welfare, and many other areas highly relevant to efficient, productive farming."

**Dr Helen Ferrier**, Chief Science and Regulatory Affairs Adviser, NFU



### **Veterinary Education** P047975 P047973 P047974 P051752

In recent years, greater emphasis has been placed on competency-based training and assessment within the field of medical education. At the RVC we have developed our unique LIVE centre (**www.live.ac.uk**) specifically to promote educational excellence and to provide an unrivalled depth of experience in the field of veterinary education.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Diploma/Certificate/Associate Level UKPASS Code: MSc: P047975, Diploma: P047973, Certificate: P047974, Associate Level: P051752

Institution Code: RVET R84

Study Mode: Part-time

Application Deadline: August

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

Our MSc in Veterinary Education is a unique part-time programme aimed at professionals who are involved in the delivery of education and training in the veterinary or para-veterinary sectors at either further education, undergraduate and/or postgraduate levels. It is also relevant for practising veterinary surgeons and other paraveterinary professionals involved in workplace training.

The MSc in Veterinary Education is accredited by the Higher Education Academy. The successful completion of Associate or Postgraduate Certificate levels can lead to recognition as Associate in Higher Education Academy (UK) or Fellow of Higher Education Academy (UK) respectively. The course offers a flexible programme of study with multiple entry and exit points. It will also equip you with the skills to develop your own performance as a reflective practitioner, and to provide an enhanced learning experience to anyone you teach or train.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

On successful completion of the programme, you will be able to:

- Evaluate educational theories, methods and practice which can be applied to Veterinary Education
- Develop, design and deliver courses and programmes using a wide range of appropriate course development and delivery tools
- Appraise curriculum design and models to ensure that teaching methods comply with standards and quality appropriate to the level of skill development
- Select and use appropriate assessment and evaluation strategies to ensure that learning outcomes are met
- Identify, critically assess and address the emerging needs of the training requirements to match the demands of the local provision
- · Adopt new teaching technologies to maximise skill development
- · Be a reflective and self-evaluative practitioner
- Critically appraise research in veterinary and related educational fields, and develop skills to undertake qualitative and quantitative research using appropriate methodologies
- Continue to develop independent and lifelong learning skills to promote your own personal and professional development as a veterinary educator, researcher and leader.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

#### Academic qualifications

Associate Level: No prior qualification is needed but the course is targeted at those who undertake a relatively small range of teaching and learning responsibilities, for example, early career researchers, assistant lecturers or teaching assistants such as a demonstrators, learning technologists, learning resource developers, part-time teaching staff who are planning to develop a career in academia, library staff and laboratory technicians, and veterinary nursing assistants. **PG Certificate:** University degree OR Equivalent educational experience acceptable to the University of London.

**PG Diploma:** PG Certificate in Higher Education OR HEA/APEL accreditation (check your eligibility for FHEA status on the HE Academy site).

MSc: PG Diploma in Veterinary Education.

**English language requirements:** If English is not your first language you will need to provide evidence of proficiency in spoken and written English, including scientific usage and comprehension. You will be required to achieve an overall score of 7.0 in IELTS with a minimum of 6.5 in each sub-test.

Please note: All teaching observation sessions MUST be presented in English.

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#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

"Since starting the postgraduate course in veterinary education I feel I am more engaged in the learning experience of my students. I feel I am helping change students into life-long learners and as I reflect on the changes I experience, I feel I am able to accompany them in their journey, which parallels mine."

Rick Sanchez, 2013 PG Certificate student

#### FEES 2015/16

One Health	UK/EU	International
Associate Level	£1,415	£1,415
PG Certificate	£2,830	£2,830
PG Diploma	£2,830	£2,830
MSc	£2,830	£2,830
MSc Total	£8,500*	£8,500*

\*a 10% discount is applied if fees for the full programme are paid in advance

### A NEW 5 DAY VETERINARY EDUCATION RESIDENTIAL COURSE



The course is delivered by experts in the field of Veterinary Education, is cost-effective and timeefficient and offers a clear progression pathway onto further qualifications. The course will enable you to:

- > Learn how to improve student learning
- > Analyse your current teaching
- Share your experiences with other veterinary and para-veterinary educators
- Gain a professional qualification Associate of the Higher Education Academy

The Veterinary Education team boasts impressive credentials, with three of the course tutors having received the prestigious National Teaching Fellow award. This award, conferred by The National Teaching Fellowship Scheme (NTFS), recognises outstanding achievement in learning and teaching in higher education. Only four veterinarians nationwide have been honoured with this award.

Please contact us for further details and to make your application. Email mscvetedu@rvc.ac.uk or phone +44 (0)1707 666438

### Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Nursing

Veterinary nurses all share a desire to improve animal health and welfare. If you are a registered veterinary nurse and work in clinical veterinary practice, a Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Nursing can help take you to the next level of your career.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: GradDipVN Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Part-time distance learning Application Deadline: March Course Begins: May

#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

The RVC Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary Nursing is a unique online distance learning programme for practising registered veterinary nurses.

If you are currently employed in practice, whether in the UK or abroad, and looking to study from home, the Diploma will help you to develop valuable knowledge and skills.

The Diploma is managed by leading veterinary professionals who are recognised by employers both within the UK and internationally. We focus on developing critical thinking, using both theory and its practical application, enabling you to become better equipped to care for your patients.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

During the programme you will:

- Benefit from exposure to some of the best clinical specialists in the UK
- Join a network of like-minded individuals all striving to enhance the professional status of the veterinary nurse
- Become better equipped to influence the health of animal patients within your care

- Learn to apply new solutions and approaches to often complex problems at work
- Have the potential to publish work developed as part of your course studies
- Develop an appetite for lifelong learning.

In addition, your practice will benefit from your motivation and ability to make an enhanced contribution to the workplace.

#### MAKE THE GRADE

We ask that potential students:

- Hold a Veterinary Nursing Certificate awarded by the RCVS
- · Are on the current RCVS Register of Veterinary Nurses\*
- · Have a minimum of one year post-qualification clinical experience
- Are employed in, or have agreed access to placement in, a suitable\*\* veterinary clinical environment
- Have the support of their employing/supervising veterinary practice, who will be required to allow time and access for training
- Have access to the internet.

\*International students will need to contact the RCVS direct to apply for registration and provide a copy of their certificate with the application form.

\*\*Suitable clinical environments must be general veterinary practices which are able to demonstrate a minimum of RCVS PSS tier 2 (or TP standard). A minimum of 15 days per 20-credit elective module must be spent working in a directly relevant clinical setting (e.g. critical care unit if the Emergency and Critical Care Nursing module is taken).



#### **HOW TO APPLY**

The application pack can be downloaded from the Grad Dip pages on our website by clicking on how to apply.

#### Please see: www.rvc.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/graduatediploma-in-veterinary-nursing/how-to-apply

For more information about the Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary programme please email vnschool@rvc.ac.uk



#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

As a graduate of the course you will receive a University of London qualification and will be able to use the letters GradDipVN after your name.

GradDipVNs have used their qualification to further their careers and have gained the confidence in their abilities to enable them to:

- Undertake further study at university
- Publish journal articles
- Take on specialist nursing roles
- Move into teaching roles.

#### FEES 2015/16

Our course fees are highly competitive. Over half of our students are sponsored by their employer, while the remainder fund their own studies.

The programme comprises ten modules. Students need to complete the four core modules and choose three elective modules. Module costs stated below are for 2015 entry and are subject to annual increases in line with inflation and subject to VAT.

Different charges apply for International and Channel Island students. Modules are paid for on a module-by-module basis.

Module	Credits	<b>Core/elective</b>	UK/EU fees	International fees
Contemporary study skills	10	Core	£500	£600
Evidence-Based Veterinary Nursing	20	Core	£910	£1,150
Problem solving in Veterinary Physiology	20	Core	£910	£1,150
Professional studies	10	Core	£500	£600
Anaesthesia incorporating Analgesia	20	Elective	£910	£1,150
Emergency and Critical Care Nursing incorporating Fluid Therapy	20	Elective	£910	£1,150
Surgical Nursing incorporating Wound Management	20	Elective	£910	£1,150
Diagnostic Imaging	20	Elective	£910	£1,150
Medical Nursing	20	Elective	£910	£1,150





### Veterinary Epidemiology and Public Health (Distance learning)

Developed by academic experts at the Royal Veterinary College, the programme aims to provide animal health specialists, scientists and public health specialists with an understanding of the conceptual basis of veterinary epidemiology and public health. This flexible programme is perfect for those who want to improve their knowledge of veterinary epidemiology and public health.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MSc/Postgraduate Diploma/Postgraduate Certificate and Individual Modules (240/50 and 35 hour) Institution Code: VEPH Study Mode: Distance learning Application Deadline: November Course Begins: February

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

We have joined forces with the University of London International Programmes, to offer an MSc, Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate and Individual Modules by distance learning.

If your job requires frequent travel, or if you work irregular hours, distance learning offers a means of furthering your studies without having to attend the University in person. You also avoid additional travel, accommodation and living expenses of being a full-time student in London.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The programme aims to provide you with:

- An understanding of the role of veterinary epidemiology and economics in the design and delivery of effective livestock services
- Knowledge of risk analysis approaches in food safety and how human health can be protected through control of zoonotic diseases
- Skills in basic and advanced statistical methods in order to undertake epidemiological investigations and disease modelling.

#### MODULES

The core modules provide an essential introduction to a variety of approaches, methods and subjects. These modules are designed to equip students with the preliminary practical and intellectual skills necessary for progression to the next level. Within the Postgraduate Diploma and the MSc, there is a natural progression from the core modules to the optional modules. The selection of optional modules offers an element of choice in subject matter and disciplinary areas of study. A Research Project is also offered as an optional module within the MSc programme.

#### PERIOD OF STUDY

A five year registration period is offered for the MSc, Postgraduate Diploma and Postgraduate Certificate. The 'study year' is effectively between February and September, with examinations in October. Individual modules offer a two-year registration period.

#### **INDIVIDUAL MODULES**

Modules of the degree programme may also be studied as standalone modules for Continuing Professional Development. This allows the opportunity to sample a discrete learning unit before committing to the degree programme.

On successful completion of the module assessment, you may request to progress to the MSc degree, Postgraduate Diploma or Postgraduate Certificate using the module as a credit. A maximum number of modules may be used for progression purposes.



#### **HOW WE SUPPORT YOU**

Although you are provided with the materials you need to successfully complete your study with a minimum of direct academic support, you may contact the RVC Programme Office on a day-to-day basis with general queries, and academic support is offered via on-line tutorials. For each module, you may submit up to three written assignments for tutor comment and assessment.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

**MSc degree:** EITHER a second class honours degree (or equivalent) in a scientific subject, veterinary science, animal science, agriculture, biological sciences or medicine; OR a second class honours degree (or equivalent) in a scientific discipline which has, in the opinion of the University, included suitable training.

**Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate and 240-hour individual modules:** degree or a technical or professional qualification and work experience considered appropriate and relevant by the University. **50-hour and 35-hour individual modules:** There are no entrance or English language requirements (non-credit bearing individual modules)

**English language requirement:** With the exception of students taking 35-hour or 50-hour individual modules, all applicants must provide evidence of their English language ability.

Applicants whose first language is not English, must provide documentary evidence, acceptable to the University, that the applicant has, no more than three years prior to the application, either been educated in English (minimum 18 months); OR worked in English (minimum 18 months); OR passed a test of English Proficiency acceptable to the University of London within the past three years – for example IELTS, with an overall score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each sub-test.

#### FEES 2015/16

The fees given below refer to the 2015 academic year only and are effective from 1 March 2015 until 28 February 2016. Fees are subject to annual review and may be paid in one of two ways:

#### **OPTION 1**

On registration, a single payment covering the registration fee and all module fees:

Module	Cost
Total MSc degree	£11,895
Total Postgraduate Diploma	£7,065
Total Postgraduate Certificate	£3,715

The total fee incorporates a discount for payment in advance.

#### **OPTION 2**

Pay the registration fee, plus the fee for each module you take in your first year. Then, in subsequent years, you pay the fee for each new module you take.

Module	Cost
MSc registration fee	£1,565
Postgraduate Diploma registration fee	£1,175
Postgraduate Certificate registration fee	£780
Fee per module	£1,565

#### **INDIVIDUAL MODULES**

The cost of registering for an individual module is:

240-hour (credit bearing)	£1,700
50-hour (non-credit bearing)	£625
35-hour (non-credit bearing)	£470

### **66** International recognition and prestige

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

The application form must be completed online, attaching supporting documentation, as necessary: **www.londoninternational.ac.uk/rvc** 

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

Our graduates find that the international recognition and prestige of their degree opens doors and creates opportunities in their careers. Graduates of the programme are employed in a variety of organisations including the (UK) Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), university veterinary faculties and international organisations, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and World Health Organization (WHO).

#### TALK TO THE STUDENT AMBASSADOR

Stuart Jaques is a graduate of the programme and Chief Veterinary Officer to the Isle of Man Government, Stuart can offer advice to prospective students about how he managed his studies successfully. If you have any questions, you may contact Stuart direct at sjaques@rvc.ac.uk

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Please visit our website www.londoninternational.ac.uk/rvc

Or contact: The Student Advice Centre, University of London Tel: +44 (0)20 7862 8360

The Course Administrator at DLP@rvc.ac.uk



### Livestock Health and Production (Distance learning)

The programme addresses contemporary issues of livestock production and has a worldwide relevance. We have joined forces with the University of London International Programmes, to offer an MSc, Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate and Individual Modules by distance learning.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

**Qualification:** MSc/Postgraduate Diploma/Postgraduate Certificate and Individual Modules (240/50 and 35 hour)

Institution Code: LHP

Study Mode: Distance learning

Application Deadline: November

Course Begins: February

#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

Developed by academic experts at the Royal Veterinary College, studies are aimed primarily at veterinarians, animal health specialists and livestock farmers. However, optional modules make our studies suitable for people from a range of professional backgrounds.

If your job requires frequent travel, or if you work irregular hours, distance learning offers a means of furthering your studies without having to attend the University in person. You also avoid additional travel, accommodation and living expenses of being a full-time student in London.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The programme aims to provide you with:

- Knowledge on agents of animal diseases and how animals respond to them
- Advanced knowledge in animal nutrition, breeding and management to optimise animal health and production
- Farming systems approach to animal production and an understanding of how to appraise and monitor livestock production systems through development and execution.

#### MODULES

The core modules provide an essential introduction to a variety of approaches, methods and subjects. These modules are designed to equip you with the preliminary practical and intellectual skills necessary for progression to the next level. Within the Postgraduate Diploma and the MSc, there is a natural progression from the core modules to the optional modules. The selection of optional modules offers an element of choice in subject matter and disciplinary areas of study. A Research Project is also offered as an optional module within the MSc programme.

#### PERIOD OF STUDY

A five year registration period is offered for the MSc, Postgraduate Diploma and Postgraduate Certificate. The 'study year' is effectively between February and September, with examinations in October. Individual modules offer a two-year registration period.



#### **INDIVIDUAL MODULES**

Modules of the degree programme may also be studied as standalone modules for Continuing Professional Development. This allows the opportunity to sample a discrete learning unit before committing to the degree programme.

On successful completion of the module assessment, you may request to progress to the MSc degree, Postgraduate Diploma or Postgraduate Certificate using the module as a credit. A maximum number of modules may be used for progression purposes.

#### **HOW WE SUPPORT YOU**

Although you are provided with the materials you need to successfully complete your study with a minimum of direct academic support, you may contact the RVC Programme Office on a day-to-day basis with general queries, and academic support is offered via on-line tutorials. For each module, you may submit up to three written assignments for tutor comment and assessment.

**66** Learn to optimise animal health and production 99

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

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### **66 Graduates** have gone on to work for the World Health Organization (WHO)

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

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### **PhD** (P050623)

The Royal Veterinary College produces outstanding doctoral graduates, who go on to work in some of the world's leading scientific research institutes, as well as within industry and government. Up to 35 PhD students join us each year with the majority starting in October.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

#### Qualification: PhD UKPASS Code: P050623

Institution Code: RVET R84

**Study Mode:** Full time three to four years, part-time six to eight years

**Application Deadline:** January for the main round, ad hoc throughout the year

Course Begins: October, February and June

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The RVC's research programmes provide excellent training opportunities for veterinary and biological sciences graduates who undertake projects addressing basic and clinical problems with applications in veterinary and human medicine.

Our PhD programme is our investment in the future.

With over 100 research-active staff at the RVC, the range of research topics is vast extending from molecules to cells, whole animals and animal populations. We focus on two research themes:

- Comparative Physiology & Medicine Our understanding of animal disease, together with the superb facilities at the RVC, means that we are well placed to contribute to the way in which human diseases are diagnosed and treated. The programme is led by Professor Dominic Wells.
- Livestock Production and Health There is international recognition of the need for new approaches to meet the growing challenges of livestock production, and to control infectious diseases that threaten humans and animals. The programme is led by Professor Dirk Werling.

The RVC has particular strengths in veterinary epidemiology, whole animal physiology, comparative pathology, public health, immunology, protozology and medicine, as well as expertise in agricultural economics.

Researchers and their postgraduate students are organised into six main groups each comprised of approximately 10-20 researchers, led by senior members of academic staff. As a PhD student you will undertake a research project based within one or more of these research groups directed and supported by two supervisors.

You will also have the support of the Graduate School throughout your studies. Beginning with a two day induction, the Graduate School provides a comprehensive professional skills training programme delivered through the year as on-line courses or face-to-face events. Students are required to attend some courses and seminars and to give presentations at the postgraduate seminar series and the annual Postgraduate Research Day.

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

The normal minimum entrance qualification for PhD registration is one of the following:

- A first or upper second class honours degree from a UK university, or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, in a subject relevant to the project
- A Masters degree in a subject relevant to the project
- A registered qualification in medicine or veterinary studies
- A professional qualification obtained by written examination and approved by the Royal Veterinary College as an appropriate entrance qualification.





"It has been a life-changing experience and I've loved every minute (and yes, even the writing up). I couldn't recommend the process highly enough to future potential applicants."

Dan O'Neill, PhD 2014

#### FULLY-FUNDED RVC PhD STUDENTSHIPS

The main round of fully funded PhD studentships is normally advertised annually in January. They are open to UK/EU students only. Other studentships also become available during the year and will be advertised on our website.

#### THE BLOOMSBURY COLLEGES STUDENTSHIPS

The Bloomsbury Colleges consortium brings together five University of London Colleges comprising Birkbeck (Bbk), Institute of Education (IoE), London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), Royal Veterinary College (RVC) and the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS).

Bloomsbury PhD studentships are supervised by researchers at two different Colleges and are normally advertised in January alongside the main round of studentships.

#### **SELF-FUNDED STUDENTS**

#### UK/EU

If you are a UK/EU applicant with a research project in mind, and are able to support your studies (either full-time or part-time), you should start by contacting a potential supervisor working in your field of interest so that you can draw up a research proposal. Once this has been done, follow the "How to apply" instructions on our website at **www.rvc.ac.uk/postgraduate/PhD** 

UK/EU fees for 2015/16 are £4,052.

If you are an international applicant with funding from your government or other funding body, go to International Research Students section.

#### **International Students**

If you are an international student (i.e. not from the UK or EU) and you:

- Have a scholarship from your government or another funding body or
- Are able to support your studies yourself

The steps you should follow if you want to join our PhD programme are as follows:

If you have research project in mind you should begin by contacting a potential supervisor working in your field of interest so that you can draw up a research proposal. Alternative you can contact the Graduate School who will try and identify a supervisor who can help you through your studies. Once a supervisor has been identified and a research project drawn up, follow the "How to apply" instructions on our website at **www.rvc.ac.uk/postgraduate/PhD** 

#### WHAT FUNDING DO I NEED?

You will need to cover all your fees and living costs for the time that you are with us. The annual tuition fee for international students in 2015/16 is £22,040; fees normally rise by approximately 3% per annum. You will also need to cover living costs; it is currently estimated that a single student will need at least £12,000 per year to cover accommodation and personal maintenance expenses whilst studying in or near to London.

A bench fee will also normally be payable. The amount charged for this will vary considerably depending on the nature of the project. Applicants should contact the Graduate School (researchdegrees@ rvc.ac.uk) for further information about the fee associated with the project that they intend to apply for.

## 66 Over 100 research-active staff with a vast range of research topics

#### SCIENCE WITHOUT BORDERS PROGRAMME (SWB)

This Brazilian Government scholarship programme aims to send 100,000 Brazilian students on university courses, including full PhDs and PhD sandwich courses, in areas that include science, technology and mathematics at top universities around the world. The RVC is proud to be part of SWB UK. Please see our website (Science without Borders) for more information and how to apply.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

You will need to submit an application via UKPASS. Our advertised PhD projects are listed under 'PhD opportunities at the RVC' on UKPASS. If you are applying for a self-funded project you should select the option "A PhD project is being developed with an RVC supervisor and you are in touch with them".

There are a number of documents which you will need to upload to your application form. Before you begin filling in the form you should have the following information to hand:

- Your CV
- A personal statement explaining why you would like to undertake the project you are applying for
- An electronic copy of your degree certificate(s)
- A transcript of your degree(s); this must be a certified translation if the original was not issued in English
- Two confidential references; see reference section. These can also be submitted separately to researchdegrees@rvc.ac.uk

#### **EU AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

If English is not your first language you will be required to demonstrate your proficiency in English language. You will need to undertake an IELTS test and achieve an overall band score of at least 7.0, with a minimum of 6.5 in each of the four individual components of the test. The results of these tests are valid for up to two years after issue.

Self-funded students will also need to show proof from your sponsor (or yourself) that you can meet the funding requirements for your PhD project.

#### EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE

After completing their PhD the majority of our students continue working in the biosciences or veterinary medicine, with many taking up positions at institutions in the UK and EU. However not everyone chooses to follow an academic path as the extensive skill-set gained during a PhD at the RVC can be applied to many other career paths. Some doctoral graduates pursue careers working in Pharma, Biotech or Technology Transfer, or move into areas such as science communication, policy and administration.



### Professional Doctorates Agriculture and Food (DAgriFood: P052095) and Veterinary Science (DVet: P052093)

Our Profes sional Doctorates in Agriculture and Food (DAgriFood) and Veterinary Science (VetD) aim to offer professionals working in the agricultural and food or veterinary sectors the opportunity to develop their professional roles and to implement an independent programme of research within the workplace. The programmes are structured to deliver the opportunity to acquire advanced research skills and taught knowledge, with the central concept of "critical professionalism".

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: DAgriFood, DVet UKPASS Code: DAgriFood: P052095, DVet: P052093 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Part time distance learning 4-8 years Course Begins: Varies Application Deadline: Ad hoc throughout the year



#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

Through our two Professional Doctorate programmes, we encourage students to find novel approaches for integrating academic and professional knowledge. Students are expected to make a contribution to both theory and practice in their field, and in particular to develop professional practice by making a contribution to professional knowledge.

Professional Doctorates are part-time distance learning programmes that run over a minimum of four years and a maximum of eight years. Online-based delivery is the main method used, although there is the potential for up to 20% face-to-face delivery through seminars and discussion workshops to provide networking opportunities, and for any practical units or assessment.

The courses offer opportunities for candidates to achieve and demonstrate the following outcomes:

- Critical evaluation and dissemination of information from a variety of sources to develop understanding and make decisions
- Collaboration with experts and policy makers across a wide range of disciplines and organisations
- Designing and executing an independent research project or portfolio of research
- Effective and scientifically rigorous communication of scientific information and experimental conclusions in oral and written formats
- Managing human, financial and physical resources as appropriate to achieve project aims
- Monitoring of own learning and development to identify learning needs and to plan and manage their acquisition
- Reflective and self-critical approach to research and professional development
- Professional and intellectual skills to deliver leadership, inspiration and motivation of others.

## **66 Develop an independent programme of research within the workplace**

#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

DAgriFood: Entry to the course will be open to graduates with:

- a university degree that is acceptable to the Royal Veterinary College. Appropriate degrees are an Honours degree (first or upper second class) related to biological sciences, animal sciences, veterinary science or livestock production, or
- an MSc degree related to the previous categories for Honours degrees.

Subject to the discretion of the Programme Director, applicants with other degrees or prior equivalent experience may be considered.

Candidates must have at least two years' work experience and currently work in the agri-food industry. They must also have identified a work-place supervisor.

VetD: Entry to the course will be open to graduates with:

• a veterinary degree registrable with the RCVS

Candidates must have at least two years' work experience and currently work in the veterinary sector. They must also have identified a work-place supervisor.

Subject to the discretion of the Programme Director, applicants with other degrees or prior equivalent experience may be considered.

Candidates possessing a European/American/RCVS Diploma or an MVetMed may enter through the alternate entry route and transfer in 90 credits at Level 7.

#### FEES 2015/16

	UK/EU	International
VetD or DAgriFood	£2,030	£11,020

**English Language Requirements:** If English is not your first language you will be required to demonstrate your proficiency in English language. You will need to undertake an IELTS test and achieve an overall band score of at least 7.0, with a minimum of 6.5 in each of the four individual components of the test. The results of these tests are valid for up to two years after issue.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Applications for Research Degrees are made through UKPASS (Post Graduate Application Service).

To apply for a Professional Doctorate applicants will need to upload:

- your own CV
- a detailed research proposal
- a personal statement explaining why you would like to undertake this particular project
- a copy of your degree certificate(s)
- a transcript of your degree(s) this must be a certified translation if the original was not issued in English
- two confidential references these can also be submitted separately, see the reference section below for more information
- a CV and statement from the identified workplace supervisor.

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

Gaining a professional doctorate will enable already successful professionals to enhance their contribution to professional practice in the area of expertise within which they are employed.

### Master of Research PO52035

The MRes provides an excellent training opportunity for veterinary and biological sciences graduates who are able to undertake projects that address basic or clinical problems in the biosciences, with applications in veterinary and human medicine.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MRes UKPASS Code: PO52035 Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: One year full-time, two years part-time Application Deadline: June Course Begins: October

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

If you do not wish to commit to undertaking a PhD but want to try carrying out a sizeable research project the MRes may be for you. During this one year course you will acquire experience and skills that will help you to progress onto a PhD or move into a researchbased career.

An MRes will develop you as a scientist who is capable of working across interdisciplinary teams and who can tackle problems of practical relevance to veterinary science. You will:

- Learn from experts who produce cutting edge research in a range of subjects and are published in the top academic journals
- · Join an international team of staff and students
- Benefit from close proximity to other international centres of excellence in biomedical and biological sciences.

With over 100 research-active staff at the RVC, the range of research topics is vast, extending from molecules to whole animals and animal populations. We focus on two main research themes:

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- Livestock Production and Health There is international recognition of the need for new approaches to meet the growing challenges of livestock production, to control infectious diseases that threaten humans and animals. The programme is led by Professor Dirk Werling.

You will join the RVC to undertake a specific piece of work under the direction of two supervisors, working within one or more of the College's research groups. Each has 10-20 researchers, led by senior members of academic staff and will provide the optimum environment for research.

During your studies you will have the support of the Graduate School and you will be encouraged to participate in the seminars and training sessions to help support your studies.





#### **MAKE THE GRADE**

Applicants must have a first or second class university honours degree.

You should have a degree biological science, veterinary science or statistics. We also encourage those with relevant post-graduate experience to apply.

Please contact the Graduate School at researchdegrees@rvc.ac.uk to ask about eligibility.

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#### HOW DO I APPLY?

Applications for October 2015 should be submitted via UKPASS by 30th June 2015.

When you submit your application a project supervisor should have already been agreed.

Your research project and supervisor must be confirmed before you can be registered for this course. The Research Degrees Admissions Officer can advise you on potential supervisors but we find applicants are often more successful when contacting supervisors directly. You can find lists of our research staff and their areas of interest on the website under Research Centres and Facilities.

	UK/EU	International
MRes	£4,052	£22,040

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Normally, a bench fee will also be payable. This can vary considerably depending on the nature of the project and applicants should contact the Graduate School for further information about the fees associated with the project that they intend to apply for.

We welcome applications from individuals in receipt of scholarships from their governments or other bodies or from self-funded individuals able to support their studies.

#### **EQUIPPING YOU FOR THE FUTURE**

A postgraduate degree from the RVC is highly regarded and recognised internationally.

Our graduates have a track record of successful careers in government, research and other organisations. Many students use the MRes as a way to gain valuable research experience and skills before going on to do a PhD.



CLINICAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS



### Equine Clinical Training Scholarship



These scholarships are designed for qualified veterinary graduates who wish to specialise in specific disciplines related to equine practice.



#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: One year full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

The Clinical Training Scholar programme typically lasts one year and is particularly attractive if you wish to pursue specialist training in a specific discipline i.e. a Senior Clinical Training Scholarship, and is often a necessary initial qualifying step. The CTS programme commences in the first week of July each year, with a short induction programme.

### **66** First class, worldrenowned training programmes **99**

### Farm Animal Health and Production Clinical Training Scholarship





#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: One year full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

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### Small Animal Clinical Training Scholarship



The Royal Veterinary College's Small Animal Clinical Training Scholarship is a world-renowned rotating internship programme for veterinary surgeons. It is based at Queen Mother Hospital for Animals (QMHA), the referral teaching hospital of the RVC based in Hertfordshire.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: One year full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July



#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

The programme is designed for highly motivated recent veterinary graduates (typically less than five years) who wish to expand their knowledge, skills and experience in all aspects of small animal practice, working under supervision in a multi-disciplinary referral hospital, and participating in the provision of an emergency out of hours service. It is a suitable foundation (and often necessary step) for you if you wish to pursue specialist training in a specific discipline (Senior Clinical Training Scholarship, residency), and also provides excellent training for those wishing to return to general practice.

The programme begins with an introduction and orientation week. There is also a week over the Christmas/New Year holiday period working solely in the Emergency Out Of Hours Service (first opinion). The remainder of the year is divided into 13 four-week long rotations which are organised as follows:

- Eight rotations assigned to small animal referral services at the QMHA:
  - Anaesthesia
  - Diagnostic Imaging
  - Emergency and Critical Care
  - Internal Medicine
  - Neurology and Neurosurgery
  - Orthopaedic Surgery
  - Soft tissue Surgery
- A choice of Dermatology, Oncology, Cardiology, Ophthalmology or Exotics & Small Mammals
- Four rotations on the Emergency Out Of Hours Service at the QMHA
- Two rotations assigned to annual leave and scholarly activities such as completing an externship or a research project.

### Anaesthesia Senior Clinical Training Scholarship



This is a three year training programme that fulfils the credential requirements of the European College of Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July



#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

Scholars will be supported by a team of four ECVAA specialists, two experienced staff clinicians and five anaesthesia nurses. An anaesthesia service is provided for the full range of disciplines in the Queen Mother Hospital for Animals (QMHA), as well as for the Equine Referral Hospital (ERH) and Farm Animal service. Scholars will be able to develop their clinical anaesthesia and analgesia skills allowing them to successfully manage both routine and complex cases in a wide variety of species, as well as becoming adept at coping with complications.

There is a large clinical component to the programme but you will also be involved in student teaching and clinical research. Scholars will have the opportunity to spend time with other clinical disciplines within the RVC and you will be expected to develop a thorough knowledge of the natural course and therapeutics of medical and surgical diseases in the practice of veterinary anaesthesia and analgesia.

You will also need to understand the problems encountered in the application of diagnostic techniques such as radiographic procedures, ultrasound scanning and MR imaging, and the influence of anaesthetic methods on these problems.

Further information: If you have any queries about the Anaesthesia programme please contact Mr Chris Seymour (cjseymour@rvc.ac.uk).

### Equine Senior Clinical Training Scholarship



These scholarships are designed for qualified veterinary graduates who wish to specialise in specific disciplines related to equine practice.

#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July



#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

Senior Clinical Training Scholarships in equine medicine and equine surgery are typically for three years and you will also be registered for a Master level programme, normally the MSc in Veterinary Medicine – MVet Med.

Each year a small number of equine surgery Senior Clinical Training Scholarships are available.

The SCTS programmes in equine medicine and in equine surgery are training programmes that are approved by the European College of Veterinary Surgery, the European College of Equine Internal Medicine and the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Large Animals). They are designed to enable scholars to fulfil the credential requirements of the respective specialist college so that they are eligible to sit the diploma examination at the end of the training period.

Scholars are supported by a team of nine specialists in the Equine Referral Hospital (four surgery diplomats and five medicine diplomats). There is also extensive diplomat support in related disciplines at the RVC including diagnostic imaging, anaesthesia, gross pathology and clinical pathology.

Scholars work as an integral part of the Equine Referral Hospital's clinical teams and are intimately involved with the Hospital's clinical, teaching and clinical research activities. They rotate through clinical rotations relevant to their chosen area of study, training rotations in related subjects and through research training blocks. Scholars work under supervision throughout and are given increasing responsibility as they gain experience during the programme. Career routes of equine scholars after completion of the programmes include specialist clinical work in private practice, specialist clinical work in university teaching hospitals and further research training (PhD) to become a clinical scientist.
# Farm Animal Health and Production Senior Clinical Training Scholarship



The opportunity to specialise in specific disciplines related to farm animal health and production is offered by these scholarships, designed for qualified veterinary graduates.



## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

This programme provides training in the field of farm animal health and production.

Senior Clinical Training Scholarships are typically for three years and you will also be registered for a Master in Veterinary Medicine – MVetMed.

# Small Animal Senior Clinical Training Scholarship



This programme provides specialist training in small animal practice and is mainly based at the Queen Mother Hospital for Animals (QMHA).



# **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

# **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

These scholarships are designed for qualified veterinary graduates who wish to specialise in specific disciplines related to small animal practice. Senior Clinical Training Scholarships in Large Animal DI are typically for three years and you will also be registered for a Master in Veterinary Medicine – MVetMed.

"The Senior Clinical Training Scholarship at the RVC provides an outstanding opportunity to train under the guidance of some of the UK's leading specialists. There is a wide and varied caseload providing experience and background to theory taught. The residency programmes are structured to provide you with training and support for scientific research and development of academic skills through the MVetMed degree and specialty related teaching sessions."

Richard Meeson, MA, VetMB, MVetMed, MRCVS (SCTS in Surgery from 2009 to 2011)

# Large Animal Diagnostic Imaging Senior Clinical Training Scholarship

This training programme is designed to provide in-depth clinical training in veterinary diagnostic imaging that will prepare you to pass the examination for the Diploma of the European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging.



## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

#### **UNDER THE MICROSCOPE**

The programme emphasises radiography, ultrasonography, computed x-ray tomography, magnetic resonance imagining and scintigraphy. The course is supported by 5 specialists in veterinary diagnostic imaging, 2 experienced equine clinicians specialising in imaging, 3 radiographers, 2 equine imaging technicians, and a full complement of specialists in primary care and pathology. There is a large clinical component but you will also be involved in student teaching and clinical research. You will further participate in an out of hours rota to help care for patients admitted as emergencies. The total annual imaging caseload exceeds 5,000.

# Pathology Senior Clinical Training Scholarship



The Department of Pathology and Pathogen Biology offers residency programmes in both clinical pathology and anatomic pathology.

## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Qualification: MVetMed Institution Code: RVET R84 Study Mode: Three years full-time Application Deadline: January Course Begins: July

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The residency programme in clinical pathology has a structured programme of study in haematology, cytology, clinical chemistry, urinalysis and quality assurance leading to the Board Examination of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists (ACVP) or the European College of Veterinary Pathologists (ECVP) and/or the Royal College of Pathologists (FRCPath). The RVC is a recognised training centre for all three examinations. Funding for the residencies comes from the Department and from a wide variety of external sources, currently including the Horserace Betting Levy Board, the Wellcome Trust, APHA and BPEX.

Each departmentally-funded resident is funded for three years and the externally funded residents are funded for either three or four years. During their training each resident plays a full and active role in the relevant diagnostic rota(s), assuming independent reporting duties once their level of knowledge and practical skills have reached the required standards. A research project, often leading to a publication, is also undertaken during the residency. All of the residents are enrolled for the College's Masters in Veterinary Medicine degree, which is designed to assist with preparations for specialist pathology examinations.



# Requirements

## **MAKE THE GRADE**

You must be eligible for membership of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS). Applicants must be an MRCVS by the date the scholarship starts, and ideally by the date of application and interview. You must organise and pay for this yourself.

You will also need to:

- Hold a veterinary degree which is registrable by the RCVS and provide certificate and transcripts
- Confirm you have the right to study in the UK
- Non-EU citizens are welcome to apply for any Scholarship.
  We are keen to find the best candidates regardless of their nationality and currently have several non-EU SCTS.
  Funding models for these posts are weighted towards EU citizens, so when candidates are equal, Scholarships will be offered to EU citizens.
- Confirm how you meet the English language requirements, and if applicable submit your English language test results (see below)
- · And provide evidence of:
  - Work you have undertaken in a veterinary practice
  - Any postgraduate qualifications, with certificates
  - Your experience of research
  - Publication or conference presentations
  - Previous visits to the RVC
- Completion of an internship programme or similar
- Twelve months experience as a qualified veterinarian (desirable)

**English Language Requirements:** You must be able to communicate clearly in English, both verbally and in writing. If English is not your first language you will be required to demonstrate your proficiency in English language. You will need to undertake an IELTS (Academic) test and achieve an overall band score of at least 7.5, with a minimum of 7.0 in each of the four individual components of the test. The results of these tests are valid for up to two years after issue.

# FEES 2015/16

All Clinical Training Scholarships are fully-funded.

As a Clinical Training Scholar your tuition fees will be paid by the department that you are working in.

You will also receive a tax-free stipend to cover your living expenses which will be paid monthly.

#### Current stipend rates:

1 year Clinical Training Scholarships	£14,278
(54 week scholarship)	
3 year Senior Clinical Training	£16,902 Year 1
Scholarships	£17,561 Year 2
	£18,222 Year 3

# **HOW TO APPLY**

You will need to submit an application via UKPASS. Our advertised clinical training scholarships positions are listed under "Clinical Training Scholarship (Internship)" on UKPASS. A list of specialisations appears towards the end of the application form.

There are a number of documents which you will need to upload to your application form:

- Your CV
- A personal statement explaining why you would like to undertake the specialisation you are applying for
- An electronic copy of your degree certificate(s)
- A transcript of your degree(s) this must be a certified translation if the original was not issued in English
- 2 references. Please note that it is your responsibility to contact your referees and arrange for references to be provided. These should be on letter headed paper, contain the signature of the referee and should be scanned and uploaded with your UKPASS application. These can also be submitted separately to ctsrecruitment@rvc.ac.uk by the closing date. If we don't receive your references by the closing date, your application may not be processed.





# **Useful** Contacts

## **RVC LONDON CAMPUS**

Royal College Street London NW1 0TU UK

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

For all postgraduate taught application enquiries:

Admissions Office Royal Veterinary College Royal College Street London NW1 0TU UK

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5147 or +44 (0)20 7468 5149 Email: admissions@rvc.ac.uk

For all postgraduate research enquiries:

The Graduate School Royal Veterinary College Royal College Street London NW1 0TU UK

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5134 Email: researchdegrees@rvc.ac.uk

For all Clinical Training Scholarship enquiries:

The Graduate School Royal Veterinary College Royal College Street London NW1 0TU UK

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5134 Email: ctsrecruitment@rvc.ac.uk

#### **RVC HERTFORDSHIRE CAMPUS**

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#### **DISABILITY OFFICER**

For enquiries concerning applicants with disabilities:

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## **STUDENTS' UNION SOCIETY**

su.rvc.ac.uk

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## **EQUALITY STATEMENT**

The Royal Veterinary College welcomes applications from people from all backgrounds. Our equality policy can be found at: www.rvc.ac.uk/about/our-people/human-resources/equality

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Any enquiries relating to this prospectus or to the work of the Royal Veterinary College should be addressed to the details found above:

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5147 or 5149 Email: admissions@rvc.ac.uk

The College has charitable status.

# **Useful** Organisations

# **UNIVERSITY OF LONDON**

Senate House Malet Street London WC1E 7HU

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7862 8000 www.london.ac.uk

LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE (LSHTM)

Keppel Street London WC1E 7HT

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7636 8636 www.lshtm.ac.uk

# **ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON (ZSL)**

London Zoo Outer Circle Regent's Park London NW1 4RY

Telephone: +44 (0)20 4225 1826 **www.zsl.org** 



# Visit us at the RVC

If you're thinking about studying with us, there's a lot to be said for coming along and having a look around first – after all, you could be here for several years! We make it easy for you to do this in a way that suits you. We also travel around the world to meet prospective students.

#### **RVC ACCESS**

Our RVC Access Team provides a range of activities and events throughout the year for prospective students.

#### **POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION EVENING**

You will be able to find out about our courses and take a tour with current students.

Please see www.rvc.ac.uk/study/postgraduate

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION EVENING

Come and speak to us at an UoL event. You can get advice on funding and courses and meet our team.

Please see uolpg.gradintocareers.co.uk

#### **CAMPUS TOURS**

You can also attend one of our London or Hertfordshire Campus Tours. These tours are led by current students and take place throughout the year.

**VISITS AROUND THE WORLD** 

Our team travels to many countries throughout the world.

Check www.rvc.ac.uk for visits near you.





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#### LONDON CAMPUS

The Royal Veterinary College, Royal College Street, London NW1 0TU United Kingdom

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7468 5000

#### **YOUR JOURNEY**

We would advise travelling to the Camden Campus by public transport as it tends to be the quickest method.

Please note: The Camden Campus has no parking facilities and local car parking can be expensive.

The RVC Camden Campus is a ten-minute walk from King's Cross/St Pancras International Station (Underground Lines: Circle, Hammersmith & City, Metropolitan, Northern, Victoria and Piccadilly) which is the centre of the train network in London. It is also a ten-minute walk from Mornington Crescent Underground Station (Northern Line) or a 5 minute walk from Camden Road Overground Station.

To find how to get to the Camden Campus from any other location in London, simply plan your journey at: **www.tfl.gov.uk** 

#### **HERTFORDSHIRE CAMPUS**

The Royal Veterinary College, Hawkshead Lane, North Mymms Hatfield, Hertfordshire AL9 7TA United Kingdom

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#### **YOUR JOURNEY**

## Travelling by rail

The closest train station to the Hawkshead Campus is Potters Bar station. The journey from Potters Bar to the Hawkshead Campus takes about 10 mins. The RVC runs a free shuttle bus service to Hawkshead Campus (and Boltons Park Farm), from Potters Bar station. There is also a (paid) minicab service available from beside the Potters Bar railway station forecourt (telephone 01707 650077). The journey to the Campus takes about 10 minutes.

#### **Driving to Hatfield?**

Visitors arriving by road are urged to approach the Main Campus along Hawkshead Lane from the A1000. Please note that Satellite Navigation Systems may instruct you to arrive via the western end of Hawkshead Lane. This route is not recommended, especially for larger vehicles, because of the narrow, twisting roads and very narrow bridge.

From the M25 leave at Junction 24 and take the A111 (Southgate Road) to Potters Bar. At the first main junction and traffic lights, turn right onto the A1000 towards Hatfield. Follow the A1000 through Potters Bar and then turn left onto Hawkshead Road and then fork left onto Hawkshead Lane.

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