

## **CLOSURE OF COURSES**

1. The closure of any taught course or taught course element will require the approval of the Academic Board, on the recommendation of the Learning, Teaching and Assessment Committee (LTAC) or Research Degrees Committee (RDC) with respect to the Professional Doctorates. The Course Proposal and Development Group (CPDG) may also make recommendations for course closure to Academic Board in agreement with LTAC/RDC.

The interests of existing students will normally be safeguarded through continuing to provide the course to the same standards and quality until the last student has graduated; should this prove impractical, the College will negotiate the transfer of the students to an acceptable alternative course, either in the RVC or in another institution.

2. The definition of "course element" will refer to a named specialism, rather than to every optional module or elective that might have been available when the student was admitted. This will mean that a student admitted, hypothetically, to the BSc in Bioveterinary Sciences, with the intention of specialising in Equine Science in the final year, will be safeguarded; a student admitted to the BVetMed who planned to take a particular final year elective (a taught element lasting one to three weeks), would not be.