

## ASSESSMENT & AWARD REGULATIONS

1.	<b>Course</b> BSc Veterinary Nursing
2.	<b>Year</b> 4
3.	<b>Applicable to Academic Year</b> 2014/15
4.	<b>Aspects of Course Covered by Examination</b>  All modules studied in Year 4
5.	<b>Form of Examination</b>
5.1.	<b>Preparation for Advanced Veterinary Nursing Practice:</b> <b>Critical Incident Essay:</b> 3000 words
5.2.	<b>Research Methods:</b> <b>Project Proposal:</b> 2000 words <b>Written Exam:</b> Up to 2 hours written exam
5.3.	<b>Elective Modules:</b> Choose ONE from the following;
5.3.1.	<b>Pathology:</b> <b>Written Exam:</b> 1 hour exam comprising of MCQs and Short Answer Questions <b>Assignment:</b> 2500 words
5.3.2.	<b>Teaching &amp; Assessment:</b> <b>Peer Assessed Presentation:</b> Teaching Activity <b>Reflective Portfolio:</b> 3000 words  OR a clinical module (from the Graduate Diploma). These will be run subject to availability:
5.3.3.	<b>ECC including Fluid Therapy:</b> <b>Assignment:</b> Extended Patient Care Reports <b>Written Exam:</b> 1 hour written exam
5.3.4.	<b>Surgical Nursing including Wound Management:</b> <b>Assignment:</b> Extended Patient Care Reports <b>Written Exam:</b> 1 hour written exam
5.3.5.	<b>Medical Nursing:</b> <b>Assignment:</b> Extended Patient Care Reports <b>Written Exam:</b> 1 hour written exam
5.4.	<b>Final Year Project:</b> <b>Written Project:</b> 7500 word project informing clinical practice <b>Oral Presentation:</b> PowerPoint presentation with Q&A
6.	<b>Marking Criteria</b>
6.1.	<b>Assignments:</b> RVC Common Grading Scheme.

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6.2.	<p><b>Multiple Choice Questions:</b> The pass mark for the MCQ examinations as a whole will be set according to approved and accepted standard setting protocols, normalised and then scaled. The number of marks available for each type of question will be clearly stated on the examination paper. A question left unanswered or deleted by the candidate will score zero.</p>																																																	
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