### Assessment & Award Regulations

1. **Course**  
   Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine

2. **Year**  
   Finals Part III

3. **Applicable to Academic Year**  
   2015/16

4. **Aspects of Course Covered by Examination**  
   Research Project 2 and Tracking

5. **Form of Examination**  
   **Research and Elective Examination**

   5.1. **Written Paper**  
      Written Examination of up to 2.5 hours

   5.2. **Research Project**  
      A Report of up to 4,000 words

6. **Requirement to be completed to permit entry to the examination:**

   Successful completion of Finals Part 1 examination and satisfactory progress in number of weeks of EMS completed in order to sit Part III.

7. **Marking Criteria**

   7.1. **Written Examinations**  
      See College-Wide Common Grading Scheme.

   7.2. **Research Project**  
      The following aspects of the project will be considered in the evaluation of the written submission:
      
      (i) Planning and execution – the practical and theoretical approach, particularly in relation to previously published work

      (ii) Presentation – organisation of the report, following the required format; use of graphs, tables and diagrams

      (iii) Evaluation of the project – a critical assessment of the study, soundness of discussion and use of statistical tests where appropriate

   7.3. The supervisor’s assessment will be marked out of 30 (and then scaled according to 8 below). The allocation will be based upon College-wide criteria for the supervisor’s assessment.

8. **Allocation of Marks and any Additional Requirements**

   **Research Project 2 and Tracking Examination**

   **i) For Students Tracking in Clinical Rotations**

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ii) For Students Tracking in Research

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9. Requirements to Pass Overall

9.1. First Sit

   (i) Having obtained at least an aggregated average of 50% from the written examination and project combined; and

   (ii) To have completed the course within 5 years from the start of Year 3.

9.2. Resit

   As 9.1 above.

10. Consequences of Failure

10.1. A candidate who fails at the first attempt will be permitted one resit opportunity.

10.2. A candidate who fails the examination at the first attempt will be required to resit the failed section of the examination as described in 7 above (i.e. 7.1. Written Examination or 7.2. Research Report and associated assessments).

10.3. A candidate who fails at the second attempt will be required to relinquish the course of study; s/he will have the right of appeal as described in the College Regulations.

11. Classification

11.1. A candidate who, at the first attempt, obtains an average mark of 75% or more will be awarded Pass with Distinction for the Examination.

11.2. A candidate who, at the first attempt, obtains an average mark of between 65 – 74% will be awarded Pass with Merit for the Examination.

11.3. In order to be awarded the BVetMed a candidate is required to pass Parts I, II and III Finals Examinations within five years of the commencement of Year 3 of the BVetMed course.

12. Disclosure of Marks

   Results will be published by candidate number.

13. Absence From In-Course Assessment

13.1. Where a student has an allowable absence, s/he will be marked absent from the in course module assessment. Where a student has been absent the overall mark will be calculated pro rata from the remaining assessments.

13.2. An allowable absence is one that is for a significant unforeseeable event such as illness. Any other foreseeable absence will only be considered allowable if agreed by the Academic
### 13.3. 
Progress Committee and this will only apply in very strictly limited circumstances. 
A student absent for any other reason will be awarded 0 for the assessment.

### 14. Late Submission of Work

Reports, Projects and Assignments submitted after the due deadline will be subject to the late submission policy set out in the College’s General Assessment Regulations. Within this course/year the major pieces of work are as follows:

- Research Project 2