

## ASSESSMENT & AWARD REGULATIONS

1.	<b>Course</b> Graduate Diploma in Professional and Clinical Veterinary Nursing
2.	<b>Year</b> Stage Two – Elective Modules
3.	<b>Applicable to Academic Year</b> 2017/18
4.	<b>Aspects of Course Covered by Examination</b>  All Elective modules studied
5.	<b>Form of Examination</b>
5.1.	<b>Anaesthesia incorporating Analgesia:</b> Extended Patient Care Report Written Examination
5.2.	<b>Emergency and Critical Care Nursing incorporating Fluid Therapy:</b> Extended Patient Care Report Written Examination
5.3.	<b>Surgical Nursing incorporating Wound Management:</b> Extended Patient Care Report Written Examination
5.4.	<b>Diagnostic Imaging:</b> Extended Patient Care Report Written Examination
5.5.	<b>Medical Nursing:</b> Extended Patient Care Report Written Examination
6.	<b>Marking Criteria</b>
6.1.	<b>Written Exams and Assignments</b> The RVC Common Grading Scheme will be used as appropriate for extended pieces of writing with 0-10 marking scheme used for short answer responses of a factual nature.
6.2.	<b>Multiple Choice Questions</b> 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.

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<b>7.</b>	<b>Allocation of Marks and any Additional Requirements</b>			
7.1.		<b>First Sit</b>	<b>Resit</b>	<b>Module Credits</b>
	<b>Anaesthesia incorporating Analgesia</b> Extended Patient Care Reports Written Examination	50% 50%	50% 50%	20 credits
	<b>Emergency and Critical Care Nursing incorporating Fluid Therapy</b> Extended Patient Care Reports Written Examination	50% 50%	50% 50%	20 credits
	<b>Surgical Nursing incorporating Wound Management</b> Extended Patient Care Reports Written Examination	50% 50%	50% 50%	20 credits
	<b>Diagnostic Imaging</b> Extended Patient Care Reports Written Examination	50% 50%	50% 50%	20 credits
	<b>Medical Nursing</b> Extended Patient Care Reports Written Examination	50% 50%	50% 50%	20 credits
7.2.	Candidates need to pass three modules to complete Stage 2.			
<b>8.</b>	<b>Requirements to Pass Overall and Progress to the Next Stage</b>			
8.1.	<b>First Sit</b> <b>Requirement to Pass a Module</b> In order to pass each module the student must achieve an aggregate average of 50%.  <b>Requirement to Pass Stage 2 Overall</b> In order to pass Stage 2 the student must achieve a pass in three Elective modules.			
8.2.	<b>Resit</b> As First Sit			
<b>9.</b>	<b>Consequences of Failure</b>			
9.1.	A candidate who achieves less than 50% for a module will be required to resit that module's assessment activity/ies where a mark of less than 50% (fail) was obtained, unless already taken for second time. The mark obtained for any module where an assessment activity has been repeated, will be awarded a mark no greater than 50%.			
9.2.	A candidate who fails a module at the second attempt is required to relinquish the course. S/he has a right of appeal as described in the College Regulations.			
9.3.	A candidate who successfully completed Stage 1 remains eligible for the award of Graduate Certificate.			

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<b>10.</b>	<b>Classification</b>  Average mark of 70% or more:      Distinction Average mark of 65-69%:            Merit Average mark of 50-64%:            Pass Average mark <49%:                  Fail  The overall mark for the award of the Graduate Diploma will be averaged from the mark achieved in Stage 1 (50%) and the mark achieved in Stage 2 (50%) of the course.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Disclosure of Marks</b>  Results will be published by candidate number.
<b>12.</b>  12.1.  12.2.	<b>Absence from Summative Assessment</b>  Where a student has an <i>allowable</i> absence, s/he will be marked absent (A) from a summative assessment and will be required to undertake the assessment at the next available opportunity. 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 Student Performance and Development System (formerly Academic Progress Committee) and this will only apply in very strictly limited circumstances.  A student absent for any other reason will be awarded 0 (zero) for the assessment.
<b>13.</b>	<b>Late Submission of Work</b>  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.