Assessment & Award Regulations

1. **Course**  Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine

2. **Year**  Finals Part III

3. **Applicable to Academic Year**  2021/22

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

5. **Form of Examination**
   5.1 For students tracking in Clinical Rotations:
      - A Report of up to 4,000 words
   5.2 For students tracking in Research:
      - A Report of up to 5,000 words
      - An Oral Presentation (15 minutes – 10 minute presentation, 5 minutes of questions)

6. **Marking Criteria**
   6.1 **Research Project**
      The Common Grading Scheme (Projects) will be used for marking with the following aspects of the project 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
   6.2 The supervisor’s assessment mark will be scaled according to 7 below. The allocation will be based upon College-wide criteria for the supervisor’s assessment.

6.3 The RVC marking scheme for Oral Presentations will be used.

7. **Allocation of Marks and any Additional Requirements**
   i) **For Students Tracking in Clinical Rotations**
      | Component                  | First Sit | Resit |
      |-----------------------------|----------|-------|
      | Project Written Submission  | 90%      | 90%   |
      | Project Supervisor’s Assessment | 10%      | 10%   |
   ii) **For Students Tracking in Research**
      | Component                  | First Sit | Resit |
      |-----------------------------|----------|-------|
      | Project Written Submission  | 70%      | 70%   |
      | Project Supervisor’s Assessment | 10%      | 10%   |
      | Oral Presentation           | 20%      | 20%   |
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### 8. Requirements to Pass Overall

**8.1. First Sit**

Having obtained at least an aggregated average of 50% from the Project Written Submission and Project Supervisor’s Assessment (and Oral Presentation, where applicable) combined;

AND

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

**8.2. Resit**

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### 9. Consequences of Failure

9.1. A student who fails at the first attempt will be permitted one resit opportunity.

9.2. A student who fails at the second attempt will be required to relinquish the course of study; they will have the right of appeal as described in the College Regulations.

### 10. Classification

10.1. A student who, at the first attempt, obtains an average mark of 70% or more will be awarded Pass with Distinction.

10.2. A student who, at the first attempt, obtains an average mark of between 65 – 69% will be awarded Pass with Merit.

### 11. Disclosure of Marks

Results will be published by candidate number.

### 12. Absence From In-Course Assessment

12.1. Where a student has an *allowable* absence, they 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.

12.2. 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 Student Performance and Development System (formerly Academic Progress Committee) and this will only apply in very strictly limited circumstances.

12.3. A student absent for any other reason will be awarded 0 for the assessment.

### 13. 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 (50% minimum)