**Animal Health and Disease** 

Year and Campus:	2010		
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Overview:	The Animal Health and Disease major will provide a springboard for students wishing to pursue careers or research in the animal health and production industries, as well as for students wishing to progress to the graduate entry professional veterinary program (Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, DVM) at the University of Melbourne. Graduates of this major will develop understandings of the determinants of health in populations of domestic animals and in particular the impact of welfare, housing, nutrition and infectious agents on domestic animal health. This major will integrate knowledge from a range of disciplines including veterinary anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, nutrition, microbiology and pathology as they apply to the health of domestic animals. Students undertaking the Veterinary Bioscience (pre DVM) specialisation will develop skills in clinical investigation and problem solving, through an integrated systems-based approach to organ structure and function that will be the foundation for their studies in the graduate professional entry DVM program. Students undertaking the Animal Disease Biotechnology specialisation will develop an understanding of the role of animal health in maintaining the health of human populations, at the same time developing skills in laboratory techniques important in the diagnosis and surveillance of disease in domestic animal populations. Students will gain experience that prepares them for the workplace by participating in laboratory activities and also possibly by industry placements.		
Objectives:			
Structure & Available Subjects:	Completion of 50 points of study at third year level		
Majors/Minors/ Specialisations	There are two specialisations within the Animal Health and Disease major.		
	Major/Minor/Specialisation		
	Animal Disease Biotechnology		
	Veterinary Bioscience		
Subject Options:	The core third year level subjects within each specialisation will not be offered for the first time until 2011.  The prerequisites for the core third year level subjects will be the following three second year level subjects		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	VETS20014 Foundations of Animal Health 1	Semester 1	12.50
	VETS20015 Foundations of Animal Health 2	Semester 2	12.50
	BCMB20002 Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Semester 1	12.50
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Science		

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