VETS30028 Production Animal Health Applications

Credit Points:	25		
Level:	3 (Undergraduate)		
Dates & Locations:	2015, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: February, Parkville - Taught on campus. This subject includes a pre-teaching period from the start of January. This is to allow students flexibility in the completion of required work experience (i.e. placements) within a wide variety of different industries/enterprises.		
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 48 hours of workshops/seminars; and 3 weeks (i.e. 15 days = 120 hours) of work experience in industry. Total Time Commitment: 340 hours		
Prerequisites:	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	VETS20017 Principles of Production Animal Health 1	Semester 1	12.50
	VETS20018 Principles of Production Animal Health 2	Semester 2	12.50
	VETS20016 Biochemistry in Animal Systems	Semester 1	12.50
Corequisites:	None		
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None		
Non Allowed Subjects:	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	AGRI30030 Livestock Production Systems	Semester 1	12.50
	AGRI30005 Industry Project	Year Long	25
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.		
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Subject Overview:	This is a capstone subject, which allows students to integrate the knowledge gained from their previous studies in the major in Production Animal Health, and apply this to real world situations. Management practices to ensure optimal health and productivity will be covered in depth. Students will learn to interpret data from production systems, in order to evaluate productivity, and then develop strategies for increasing the health and productivity of production animals. Students will develop an understanding of the financial limitations on production systems, and how health and management strategies must fit within an economical framework, otherwise the business is not viable. There will be opportunities for industry placements and to participate in syndicate case-based scenarios. Students will be expected to gather and record data, and model this information in		

	terms of indices of productivity. They will be expected to be able to benchmark these results against national industry standards, and to propose and evaluate strategies for improving productivity. Students will be required to complete three weeks of work placement in production animal related industries.	
Learning Outcomes:	 At the completion of this subject, students should be able to: # Collate, analyse and interpret data to determine the productivity of a production animal system # Understand the limitations on production animal enterprises and how health and productivity can be maximised in an economical manner # Evaluate strategies for increasing the health and productivity of the major production animals # Understand the economics of animal production # Analyse data from a production system and communicate the results in written and oral format # Effectively communicate information about production animal health and management to their peers and others 	
Assessment:	One 2-hour written examination in the semester 1 examination period (30%) Two equally weighted written reports on industry placements (1500 words each) due 2 weeks after the completion of the student's placement and no later than week 11 of semester 2 (Total 45%) An individual oral presentation on industry placements (15 minutes) during semester 2 (20%) Peer review of oral presentations (4 x 250 words) due during semester 2 (5%) Hurdle requirements that must be completed to pass the subject: A mark of 50% or greater is required in each written report Peer review of oral presentations must be submitted Satisfactory completion of 120 hours of production animal health related industry placement	
Prescribed Texts:	None	
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.	
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees	
Generic Skills:	At the completion of this subjects, students should have developed the following generic skills: # Problem solving # Team work # Critical thinking # Sourcing and analysing information # Effective communication # Computer (IT) skills	
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Production Animal Health	