

VETS40017 Veterinary Clinical Skills

Credit Points:	50
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2012, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. Semester 2, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Up to 480 practical/tutorial hours (12 weeks) Total Time Commitment: 456 hours
Prerequisites:	Completion of adequate pre-clinical training (exchange students), or completion of a veterinary degree at another institution. (Overseas-qualified veterinarians wishing to complete a bridging course prior to undertaking the final section of the National Veterinary Examination.)
Corequisites:	Nil
Recommended Background Knowledge:	A sound understanding of structure, function and dysfunction in domestic animals and diseases of importance in domestic animals and principles of their treatment.
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	Prospective students are advised to familiarise themselves with the Faculty's Core Participation Requirements: http://www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/docs/CoreParticipationReqs.pdf
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Subject Overview:	<i>This subject is only available to exchange students, and as a bridging program to assist overseas-qualified veterinarians to prepare for the clinical/practical section of the National Veterinary Examination.</i> The subject consists of blocks of approved practical work in clinical disciplines selected by the student. This may be undertaken in the Veterinary Hospital, specialised academic units, research laboratories or approved practices.
Objectives:	The subject enables students to spend extra time in areas of particular interest to them. Thus they could spend time in a specific practice (such as agricultural animal, aquatic animal, equine, laboratory animal, small animal, or zoo animal practice); or a specific discipline (such as basic research, diagnostic imaging, emergency and critical care, internal medicine, stud work, surgery, ophthalmology, or pathology).
Assessment:	Satisfactory performance in each of four elective rotations (blocks) - continuing - 80% (4x20%) One 60-minute examination covering all aspects of the rotations - end of semester - 20% Students must pass the examination and each elective rotation.
Prescribed Texts:	Nil
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:	Students completing this subject should have acquired the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # cognitive, analytic and problem solving skills, involving independent thought, rational enquiry and self-directed learning; # respect for intellectual integrity and professional ethics; # professional and technical skills; # writing skills and the use of advanced communication technologies; # time management and planning skills; # community and leadership skills including facility in public speaking and presentation;

- # people management, the ability to participate effectively in collaborative learning, interpersonal relationships and grief counselling; and
- # finance and business management skills