

VETS70014 Advanced Clinical Skills 1

Credit Points:	18.75
Level:	7 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2014. Students enrol into this subject twice each academic year. Enrol separately for the first half year and the second half year. A final result for the subject will be entered at the end of the year.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: Approximately 10 hours per week Total Time Commitment: The subject is taught on a part-time basis spread across 48 weeks per year. Case-by-case clinical learning occurs within the work-place environment during a typical 37.5 hour work week, and from out of hours emergency cases. Time is allowed during these hours for study in other subjects and for research in the co-requisite MVSc.
Prerequisites:	Entry into the Master of Veterinary Studies (.J../view/2013/MC-VETSTDR) . The usual entry requirement is a BVSc (usually honours level) or recognised equivalent qualification.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Objectives, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry. It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability will impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and the Disability Liaison Unit: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	<p>This subject is designed for veterinary graduates with postgraduate clinical experience who wish to acquire advanced clinical training. Practical work is an integral part of the programs offered.</p> <p>Students undertake clinical placements, including participating in ward rounds, unit meetings and outpatient clinics. This is a flexible subject designed to meet the individual discipline requirements of different clinical specialties.</p> <p>Students receive instruction in clinical research methods, including literature review, clinical study design, biostatistics and reporting of clinical research.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Students will acquire problem solving skills through both mentored and self-directed clinical learning during clinical placements.</p> <p>Students will acquire clinical research skills and tools suitable to evaluate, design, conduct and report clinical research.</p>
Assessment:	Satisfactory completion of clinical work (20%) Continual assessment by supervisors on a case-by-case basis, providing written feedback twice in each semester. Major work (80%) A major written assignment per year prepared as a paper ready for submission to a peer reviewed journal, e.g. as a clinical research report, case report, case series (prospective or retrospective), topic update, etc. The report should be prepared according to the guidelines of the Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine or agreed alternative. The length of the written assignment is likely to vary according to journal guidelines. There is an expectation that the article will be published as part of preparations for the student's specialty board qualification. The written assignment is weighted at 60% of the overall subject. One 30-minute oral presentation of a case or case series. The oral presentation is weighted at 20% of the overall subject. Hurdle requirement.

	Minimum of 80% attendance for clinical placements, ward rounds, unit meetings and outpatient clinics.
Prescribed Texts:	Students will review case studies and scholarly journal articles with an eye toward critical analysis, and engage in discussion in small groups.
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 will develop advanced clinical skills through animal model and case-based teaching.
Links to further information:	http://vh.unimelb.edu.au/residency/index.html
Notes:	This subject will be taken by clinical residents of the Faculty of Veterinary Science based either in the Veterinary Hospital or alternative clinical case teaching environments.
Related Course(s):	Master of Veterinary Studies