

VETS40017 Veterinary Clinical Skills

Credit Points:	50
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2015, 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: 480 hours
Prerequisites:	Completion of adequate pre-clinical training. Enrolment into this subject requires approval of the subject coordinator. The language of instruction is English. Students must be fluent in spoken and written English. Students approved for enrolment into this subject participate in the clinical elective rotations alongside students formally enrolled in the veterinary science course of the Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences. Opportunities to enrol into this subject each semester are limited by the capacity of the Veterinary Hospital to accommodate additional students.
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:	Students should be familiar with the Faculty's Core Participation Requirements: http://www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/docs/CoreParticipationReqs.pdf
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Subject Overview:	This subject is only available to incoming exchange students. It is not available for students enrolled in an award program at the University of Melbourne. The subject consists of blocks of practical work in clinical disciplines selected by the student and approved by the subject coordinator. This may be undertaken in the Veterinary Hospital, specialised academic units, research laboratories or approved practices.
Learning Outcomes:	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, equine, small animal) or a specific discipline (such as diagnostic imaging, emergency and critical care, internal medicine, small animal surgery, equine medicine and surgery, neurology) subject to availability of suitable places.
Assessment:	Satisfactory performance in each of four elective rotations (blocks) - continuing (i.e. 4 x 20%) - 80% of subject assessment. One 60-minute examination at the end of semester covering all aspects of the rotations - 20% of subject assessment. To successfully pass this subject a student 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