

CHALLENGE EXAMINATION FOR RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING AND ENTRY TO THE VETERINARY SCIENCE PROGRAMME FOR OVERSEAS-TRAINED VETERINARIANS

RULES UNDER WHICH INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED VETERINARIANS MAY BE ENROLLED IN THE PACE PROGRAMME FOR **PREPARATION FOR YEAR 2 BVSC CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS** AND SIT THE **CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS** IN ORDER TO ATTEMPT TO GAIN ENTRY TO THE THIRD YEAR OF THE BVSC DEGREE (BVSC 3) IN **2017** (ACADEMIC YEAR).

BASIS FOR APPLICATION

- Under the Massey University policy on recognition of prior learning, the Veterinary Programme will provide challenge examinations for internationally trained veterinarians requesting entry to the BVSc programme.
- Such applications will be accepted only if there are likely to be places available in the class to which entry is requested.
- Applications will be considered from persons who:
 - Have been granted New Zealand citizenship of permanent resident status, and have a permanent place of abode in New Zealand.
 - Provide documented proof that they hold a degree in Veterinary Science obtained after a minimum of four years of full-time University study in an overseas university.
 - Be eligible for admission to Massey University with equivalent status (see admission *Ad Eundem Statum* Regulations, Massey University Calendar).
 - Provide documented proof that they have an IELTS score of 7.0 overall, with no band less than 7.0.
- No applicants in this category will be considered for entry into the degree at a stage later than the start of BVSc 3.
- Notwithstanding the above, all persons with New Zealand residence status may compete for selection into Semester 2 of BVSc 1 in the normal way and under the normal rules. Any questions can be directed to PaCE at pace@massey.ac.nz

CHALLENGE EXAMINATION

- Entry to the Year 3 of the BVSc degree programme will be granted only to those applicants who pass all required challenge examinations at a single sitting. For this purpose, challenge examinations for entry into Year 3 of the BVSc degree will comprise examinations for all of the papers in Year 2 of the BVSc degree.
- Since this examination is an evaluation of prior learning and not a summative assessment of learning undertaken at Massey University, candidates will normally be allowed only **one attempt** at the examinations. Exams will take place across several days and will take place in Palmerston North.
- The number of applicants permitted to sit the challenge examinations will be determined by the Veterinary Programmes Management Committee (VPMaC).
- The fee for the challenge examination will be **\$1000 + GST**. This fee must accompany each application.
- The closing date for receipt of applications to sit the challenge examinations for entry to BVSc3 in **2017** (Academic Year) will be 26th August **2016**.
- For **2017** entry (Academic Year), the challenge examinations will comprise:
 - Written examinations equivalent to the final examinations for each of the following papers:

227.211	Veterinary Structure and Function 2	227.215	Animal Production for Veterinarians 2
227.212	Animal Production for Veterinarians 1	227.216	Veterinary Infectious and Parasitic Diseases 1
227.213	Introductory Clinical Studies I, Diagnoses and Disease		
 - Practical examinations as required by Paper Coordinators.
- Challenge examinations will be held at the usual time of examinations for the **2016** Year 2 BVSc papers being examined (November **2016**).
- Successful candidates will normally commence their BVSc 3 studies at the start of Semester 1 of the following academic year. In the event that more applicants pass the challenge examinations than the number of places available in the class, preference will be given to candidates with the highest GPA.
- Upon notification of a successful outcome of the challenge examination, the candidate must make application for entry to the BVSc degree programme on the appropriate form and pay the appropriate fees.
- Applicants who wish to appeal decisions relating to their application for entry into the BVSc degree programme under these regulations should address their appeal to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for consideration.
- Successful applicants will be made an offer of place, which will need to be formally accepted. Once enrolled in BVSc 3, candidates will become subject to all relevant Massey University rules, regulations and requirements, including those specifically relating to the BVSc.

PACE PROGRAMME FOR PREPARATION FOR YEAR 2 BVSC CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS

- In order to provide candidates with study materials for the BVSc 2 papers, Massey University will provide a PACE programme for Preparation for Year 2 BVSc Challenge Examinations.
- Entry to the PACE programme will be restricted to applicants who meet the criteria in Paragraph 3.
- Enrolment in the PACE programme will be for a maximum of 12 months, and will be terminated once the candidate has sat the Challenge Examination.
- The fee for the PACE programme is **\$400 + GST**. Upon completion of the attached application form and payment of all fees, applicants will be supplied with study materials (via the Stream sites) listed in Paragraph 11. Enrolment in the PACE programme entitles the candidate to access to the study material. It does not entitle the candidate to attend either lectures or practical/laboratory classes or access to library resources or direct contact with academic staff. You will receive sample examination papers to assist with your revision. If you want practical experience you will need to make your own arrangements outside of Massey University.

ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

21. If you successfully pass the challenge examinations and are offered a place on the BVSc you must complete all papers and requirements for Years 3-5 of the degree programme. You will not be given any cross-credits for past study or work.
22. There is a practical component across all years of the degree. To assist with meeting the required number of hours you may identify and undertake some farm work (sheep, beef, dairy or equine) while studying for the challenge examinations. If you are offered a place on the programme you could then complete a report and gain sign-off on the work to credit this towards the practical hours within the degree. If you choose not to do this then you will need to complete extra hours that other students will have completed in Year 1 and 2.
23. There is no aegrotat or impaired performance provisions available to challenge examination applicants. You may be offered the opportunity to sit the exam at a different time if necessary due to critical personal circumstances. This would be offered during the normal supplementary exam period in late January of the year following the examinations.
24. The pass mark is 50% in the exams. Only one marginal grade (48.5-49.9%) can be upgraded to a C, but if 2 or more papers are marginal then all remain as a D grade.
25. Supplementary exams are offered if you achieve no more than 2 Ds or 1E, these are offered in late January of the year following the exams.
26. In the event you do not pass all components, no certificate of attainment or other documentation will be provided for subjects that have been passed. No credit is awarded for those papers, the process is just an assessment of prior learning.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY APPLICANT

I have read the above rules governing the entry of internationally trained veterinarians into the BVSc degree programme under the Massey University policy on recognition of prior learning. I agree to abide by those rules.

Name: Signature:

Address:

..... Date:

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Date Received:

Accepted/Declined:

CHALLENGE EXAMINATION FOR RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING AND ENTRY TO THE VETERINARY SCIENCE PROGRAMME FOR OVERSEAS-TRAINED VETERINARIANS**APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED VETERINARIANS:**

- To Enrol in the PACE programme **PREPARATION FOR YEAR 2 BVSC CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS**
- To sit **CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS** for entry into the third year of the BVSc Degree Programme (BVSc 3) in **2017**, under the Massey University policy on Recognition of Prior Learning.

Note: Before completing this form please read the attached set of rules for sitting these challenge examinations and for entry of internationally trained veterinarians to the BVSc degree programme.

1. NAME:**(a) Name in passport**

Family Name:

Other Name(s):

(b) Other Name(s) by which you wish to be known in New Zealand

Family Name:

Other Name(s):

(c) Email

NB: You must have internet access (broadband preferred) and email to enrol and access study material

2. APPLICATIONI wish to apply to admission to the PACE programme **PREPARATION FOR YEAR 2 BVSC CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS** I wish to apply to sit **CHALLENGE EXAMINATIONS** in the BVSc 2 papers for **2016**, to attempt to gain entry to BVSc in **2017** **3. PASSPORT DETAILS: (PLEASE ENCLOSE PHOTOCOPY):**

(a) Country of Issue:

(b) Passport Number:

(c) Where Issued (City)

(d) Copy Attached: YES / NO (delete one)

4. NEW ZEALAND RESIDENCE STATUS:

(a) State your NZ Residence Status:

(b) Where Granted: When Granted:

(c) Details Attached: YES / NO (delete one)

(d) Date of Arrival in NZ:

5. NEW ZEALAND CONTACT DETAILS:**(a) Address (Home)**

Street Number and Name:

Suburb: City:

Email Address: Telephone number

(b) Business Address (if relevant)

Company Name:

Street Number and Name:

Suburb: City:

6. BIRTH DETAILS:

(a) Age:

(b) Date of Birth:

(c) Birth Place: Town/City: Country:

7. MASSEY UNIVERSITY ADMISSION DETAILS:

(a) Have you applied for Admission to Massey University with Equivalent Status: YES / NO (delete one)

(b) Have you been granted this Admission: YES / NO (delete one)

8. ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:

(a) Please state the Instruction Language for your Veterinary Degree:

(b) Specify any English Language Proficiency Tests which you have sat and your score: (please attach copy):

Test: Score:

9. DETAILS OF COMPLETED VETERINARY DEGREE:

- (a) Name of Veterinary Degree:
- (b) Institution from which granted:
- (c) Does this Institution have University Status: YES / NO (delete one)
- (d) Date of Graduation:
- (e) Normal Duration of Degree (years):

10. OTHER UNIVERSITY DEGREES HELD:

- (a) Name of Degree:
- (b) Institution from which Granted
- (c) Date of Graduation:
- (d) Other Tertiary Qualifications: (provide details)

11. DETAILS OF WORK HISTORY AS A VETERINARIAN (PROVIDE DATES AND CAPACITIES IN WHICH YOU WORKED):

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12. HEALTH:

Any applicants with a mental or physical health problem which might interfere with their ability to complete the course and practise Veterinary Science are advised to consult with the Programme Director at an early date and before commencing classes.

13. CONSENT

I consent to the personal information which I have provided to the University being used for purposes related to the matters involved for selection purposes as required by the University. I understand that without this consent my application cannot proceed.

The information I have given in completing this form is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that information relevant to their duties may be used by:

- Staff of Veterinary Admissions Committee
- Staff of Veterinary Programme Management Committee
- Other agencies where disclosure is required for data matching or the maintenance of law and order as defined in the Privacy Act 1993. I understand that I have the right to see and correct if necessary the information which I have provided.

Signature: Date:

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I of

solemnly and sincerely declare that I have read the rules regarding entry of internationally trained veterinarians to the BVSc degree programme at Massey University and agree to abide by them. I further declare that the information provided above is correct and I also declare that I have not been convicted of any criminal offence which might prejudice my future registration as a Veterinarian under the Veterinarians Act 2005.

Declared at this day of 20

Applicant Signature:

Full name and address of Signatory

Witness signature:

Full name and address of Witness*

* The witness shall normally be a Justice of the Peace, Solicitor of the High Court or a person of similar standing.

IF UNABLE TO MAKE THE ABOVE DECLARATION BRIEFLY STATE THE REASONS BELOW OR ATTACH A STATEMENT:

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APPLICATION STATUS

Passport	Y	N
Residence	Y	N
English Proficiency	Y	N
Veterinary Degree	Y	N

Statutory Declaration	Y	N
Fee	Y	N
Acknowledged	Y	N