

FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE - BVSC PROGRESSION PROVISIONS 2014

1 Application

- (1) These provisions apply to the award of the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc).

2 Eligibility for supplementary reassessment

- (1) A student who fails one unit of study administered by the Faculty in a semester will be offered the opportunity to undertake a reassessment if the student's Weighted Average Mark for all other units of study undertaken in that semester is greater than 55%.
- (2) Students who fail more than one unit of study in a semester or whose Weighted Average Mark is 55% or less must repeat failed unit(s) in accordance with these provisions.

3 Provision of repeat units of study

- (1) Except as provided in clause 3 (4), each repeat BVSc unit of study will only be offered once:
 - (a) at the beginning of the next calendar year after its final offering in the BVSc program in either:
 - (i) January ("Session 101"); or
 - (ii) February ("Session 102");and
 - (b) to eligible students enrolled in the BVSc.
- (2) The time at which a given unit of study is repeated will be determined by the relevant unit of study co-ordinator in consultation with the year co-ordinator, Sub-Dean BVSc and relevant teaching staff.
- (3) The year co-ordinator will notify students of the dates of repeat units of study at the commencement of the relevant semester.
- (4) In 2014 only:
 - (a) students who previously failed Chemistry (CHEM1405) are required to enrol in Chemistry (CHEM 1102) in the School of Chemistry's summer school at the next available opportunity or may enrol in Chemistry (CHEM 1405) in Semester 1.
 - (b) students who previously failed Animal Energetics and Homeostasis (VETS 1032) or Animal Bioscience (VETS 1018) may enrol in repeats of these units in Semester 1 or 2 respectively, in addition to the full credit point load for Year 2 of the BVSc.

- (i) Appropriate concessions will be made in the timing and type of assessment tasks required of these students, in order to facilitate the extra load.
- (5) The year co-ordinator or Sub-Dean BVSc will notify students of any requirement for them to enrol in a repeat unit of study as soon as practicable after ratification of their final grade of Fail.
- (6) Unit of study co-ordinators will be responsible, in consultation with the Sub-Dean BVSc, for planning for, and making materials available for, repeat units of study in Sessions 101 and 102.

4 Completing repeat units of study

- (1) Units of study offered in Sessions 101 and 102 will have the same names, unit codes, learning outcomes and academic standards as their original counterparts. However:
 - (a) the learning activities will be structured as the unit of study co-ordinator considers appropriate to the students and their learning needs; and
 - (b) different assessment tasks may be required to those originally undertaken.
- (2) The unit of study co-ordinator will provide students with information about the required assessment tasks and their contribution to calculation of the final grade prior to the commencement of the repeat unit of study.
- (3) Students undertaking repeat units of study must meet all attendance requirements and participate fully in all learning activities and assessment tasks. Failure to do so will result in a grade of Absent Fail.
- (4) Subject to clause 4(5), if the final assessment for a repeat unit of study is not available before the commencement of Semester 1 of the following academic year, the student will be permitted to enrol in the appropriate units of study for Semester 1, regardless of pre-requisite or co-requisite requirements which may be pending determination. A student enrolled on this basis must attend all required Semester 1 learning activities.
- (5) Students will not be permitted to progress to Year 5 until all units of study from Years 1 to 4 have been satisfactorily completed.
- (6) Fee paying students must pay the full cost of the repeat units of study they undertake. Commonwealth supported students must pay all applicable student contribution amounts for such units of study.

5 Requirement to show good cause

A student who fails a repeat unit of study will be considered to have failed to make satisfactory progress and will be required to show good cause why they should be allowed to re-enrol.

Note: See [University of Sydney \(Coursework\) Rule 2014](#) and [Coursework Policy 2014](#).

6 Discontinuation of enrolment (“withdrawal”)

A student who discontinues their enrolment in accordance with the [Coursework Policy 2014](#) will not be permitted to re-enrol in the BVSc.

Note: See [Coursework Policy 2014](#)

7 Suspension of enrolment (“deferral”)

- (1) If a student gives notice to the Faculty suspending enrolment for a period up to and including one year, the Faculty will:
 - (a) notify the student, as soon as possible after receipt of the notice, of the requirements for completion of a registrable veterinary degree;
 - (b) allow the student a period of 15 working days in which to confirm that they wish to proceed with the suspension; and
 - (c) if the student elects to proceed with the suspension, inform the student of the requirements which will apply on their return.

Note: See [Coursework Policy 2014](#)

- (2) If a student requests the Dean’s approval to suspend enrolment for a period of between one and two years, the Faculty will:
 - (a) notify the student as soon as possible of the requirements for completion of a registrable veterinary degree;
 - (b) allow the student a period of 15 working days in which to confirm that they wish to proceed with the request; and
 - (c) if the suspension is approved, inform the student of the requirements which will apply on their return.

Note: See [Coursework Policy 2014](#)

- (3) Requirements notified to suspending students under these provisions will apply on their return regardless of any contrary provisions in course resolutions.
- (4) Students who suspend enrolment prior to successful completion of all of the requirements of Years 1 and 2 of the BVSc will, on their return, be admitted to the BVetBiol/DVM on the following basis.
 - (a) On receipt of a direct application from the returning student the Faculty will grant them admission into Year 1 of the BVetBiol/DVM.
 - (b) The student may be granted credit towards the Years 1 and 2 of the BVetBiol for identical or comparable units of study completed during their earlier BVSc candidature.
 - (c) The course resolutions for the BVetBiol/DVM, including the requirement to compete on academic merit for progression into Year 3, will apply to such returning students.
 - (d) If a student has, as a result of their absence, been unable to enrol in a unit of study in Year 1 or 2 of the BVSc before the final occasion on which that unit of study is offered in Session 1 or 2, the student will not be permitted to progress to Year 3 of the BVSc. The student will be permitted to enrol in Year 1 of the BVetBiol/DVM as provided in clauses 6 (4) (a) to (c).

- (5) Students who suspend enrolment after successful completion of all the requirements of Years 1 and 2 of the BVSc will be readmitted to the BVSc on the following basis.
 - (a) In Years 3 and 4, the methods of delivery and assessment and the nature of the learning activities offered to such students may differ from those previously used in those units of study.
 - (b) Students will not be permitted to re-enrol in Year 3 after 2017 or in Year 4 after 2018.

8 Lapse of candidature

- (1) If a student's candidature lapses through their failure to suspend or re-enrol, the student will not be permitted to re-enrol in the BVSc if the necessary units of study have already been offered for the final time as Sessions 1 and 2 units of study.
 - (a) No student may be readmitted to Year 1.
 - (b) Students may be readmitted to Year 2 in 2014.
 - (c) Students may be readmitted to Year 3 up to 2015.
 - (d) Students may be readmitted to Year 4 up to 2016.
 - (e) Students may be readmitted to Year 5 up to 2019.
- (2) Students whose candidature has lapsed and who are not permitted to re-enrol in the BVSc may apply through UAC for admission to the BVetBiol/DVM.
 - (a) If admitted to the BVetBiol/DVM, students will be subject to the resolutions applicable to that course, including the requirement to compete on academic merit for admission into Year 3.
 - (b) Students may be granted credit towards Years 1 and 2 of the BVetBiol for identical or comparable units of study successfully completed as part of the BVSc.

9 Exclusion

- (1) A student who has been excluded from the BVSc course will not be readmitted to that course, and must reapply through UAC for admission to the BVetBiol/DVM.
- (2) Such students may be granted credit towards Year 1 and 2 of the BVetBiol for identical or comparable units of study successfully completed during their BVSc candidature.

Note: See [University of Sydney \(Coursework\) Rule 2014](#) and [Coursework Policy 2014](#).

NOTES

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Related documents:

University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014

*University of Sydney (Student Appeals Against Academic
Decisions) Rule 2006*

Coursework Policy 2014