

## FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE COSTS FOR 2011

The following are estimates of the associated costs incurred by students of the Bachelor of Veterinary Science during their five years of study. **These are guidelines only for 2011 and do not represent actual costs.** Prices are in Australian dollars.

The Faculty participates in an **on-line ordering system** which has been developed by the University and allows students to order equipment specific to their degree on-line and clothing that complies with the Faculty extramural dress code. All mandatory items will be clearly marked and optional items will be available for order. To access the Online Store please go to the Faculty website <http://sydney.edu.au/vetscience>.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students should consult with individual Unit of Study Coordinators **before** purchasing textbooks.

<b>EQUIPMENT</b>		<b>PRICE IN AUS \$</b>	<b>YEAR REQUIRED</b>
Laboratory Coats	Minimum 2 recommended	\$30 - \$45	All
Overalls	Minimum 2 recommended	\$40 - \$60	All
Safety Cap Boots		\$50 - \$80	All
Wellington Boots		\$50 - \$60	All
Safety glasses		\$10 - \$20	1-3
Dissection Kit		\$20 - \$50	1-2
Needle holders		\$50	3
Pen Light Torch		\$10 - \$15	3
Stethoscope		\$30 - \$120	All
Surgical kit *		\$500	3
Thermometer		\$15 - \$20	All
Faculty shirts		\$49	All
<b>INCIDENTALS</b>			
Dissection Gloves		\$1 - 2 /pair	1-2
Locker Key		\$10 per year	1 - 3
Name Tag		\$10	All
Photocopying		10-20 cents per page	All
Scalpel Blades		\$1.50 / 5 blades	1 - 4
Radiation badge		\$80	5
<b>ASSOCIATIONS</b>			
Veterinary Society *		\$85	1
University Coop Bookshop**		\$25	1
<b>EXTRAMURAL WORK †</b>			
Travel	Education Support Practices	Up to \$90 per semester	1 and 2
Travel / Accom.	Extra mural animal husbandry practical work	Travel: <\$240 rail return within NSW per placement Accommodation: \$0 to approximately \$250	3 - 4
Travel / Accom.	Clinical rotations in Veterinary Support Practices	Travel: <\$240 rail return within NSW per placement Accommodation: \$0 to approximately \$400	5

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- \* Surgical kit - costs related to surgery practical classes and include purchase of some items eg surgical gown, hire of surgical instruments and cost of consumable items eg suture material, operating caps and masks. In relation to hire of surgical instruments, a portion of the hire cost is refunded on return of equipment in good condition. Students must pay for the loss, damage or theft of instruments contained in the kit.
- \*\* Students may wish to join the University Co-operative Bookshop. Payment of fee provides lifelong membership. The bookshop will take orders for publications not held in stock. Discounts are applied on a two-tier basis and are as follows:- 8% for members plus an 8% discount for unit of study 'recommended texts' which are exempt from tax.
- † Students will undertake a one-week training program in Animal Handling Skills at the University Farms, Camden, at the end of 1<sup>st</sup> year. Students requiring accommodation can expect to pay approximately \$125-150, for self catered accommodation on Campus.

From the time of successful completion of all units of study in 1<sup>st</sup> year and before the commencement of 4<sup>th</sup> year, students are required to undertake extramural (external) preclinical studies on rural commercial properties and extramural preparatory clinical studies in approved veterinary partner practices. The location of some properties may be some distance from Sydney. The intra-semester and inter-semester breaks will be utilised by students to complete this course requirement. Preclinical placements include horses, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry and an abattoir placement is required. Students will be required to complete and submit reports in relation to their placements.

Students in year 5 will undertake a number of 4 week rotations at various private veterinary practices (both urban and rural practices) and the University Veterinary Teaching Hospitals at Sydney and Camden (Camden is a 1 - 1.5 hour journey from the main Sydney campus). Students will need to travel to their allocated practice on a daily basis. This situation has implications for accommodation, location and cost during the rotation period.

Additional accommodation and travel costs are incurred as follows:-

1. During year 1, semester 2, students must attend the University Farms, Camden for one day per week. Public transport to this site from the nearest railway station is infrequent. Students requiring transport between the main campus and Camden may be able to join a car pool with student car owners providing transport for others on a shared cost basis.
2. At the end of year 1, at the start of the intra-semester break, students will be required to attend the University Farms, Camden for an intensive 1 week training program. Cost of travel is applicable as above. Self catered accommodation is available on a minimum number basis and is approximately \$125 to \$150 a week for room.
3. During year 4 all classes will take place at the University Camden Campus. There are self catered student accommodation facilities on the campus as well as alternative accommodation available in the surrounding area and adjacent towns, but will necessitate arrangements regarding transportation to and from the Camden campus.

Information on public transport costs within New South Wales can be obtained from the NSW government web site:- <http://www.nsw.gov.au>

Cost of petrol for a motor vehicle in Sydney is variable; however, in 2011 was \$A1.20 to \$A1.45 per litre.