

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Veterinary core practice 610 (VCP 610)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Veterinary Science](#)

Module credits 52.00

NQF Level 08

Programmes [Bachelor of Veterinary Sciences \[BVSc\]](#)

Prerequisites VCP 520. Final year academic level and admission to relevant programme.

Contact time 40 hours per week over 13 weeks, Yes

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Companion Animal Clinical Studies

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Practical application of the theoretical aspects of small animal, production animal, equine and state veterinary practice covered in the core curriculum of the BVSc programme. Topics include medicine, surgery, reproduction, diagnostic imaging, pathology and clinical pathology, ophthalmology, dentistry and anaesthesiology of cats, dogs, cattle, small stock and horses, herd/flock health, epidemiology, economics, drug regulations, certification, animal health- and import/export regulations, veterinary public health, veterinary business management and veterinary professional life skills. Community-based practical learning takes place off-site to enable students to apply theory and develop clinical skills. The emphasis of practical exposure will be on attaining of the Day One Competencies for graduating veterinary professionals.

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The [General Academic Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) and [General Student Rules](#) apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and may be amended after the publication of this information.

Regulations, degree requirements and information

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