

Resolutions of the Academic Board

FACULTY OF VETERINARY AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

These resolutions contain the minimum entry requirements for consideration for selection into courses of the University.

These resolutions are published in accordance with Statute 4.1 – The Academic Board, clause 4.1.6 - Publication of Board resolutions:

‘The university secretary must make available to all students, in a form approved by the Board accessible throughout the University, all Board resolutions containing information which directly affects students.’

Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences		
Course Name Credit point value Minimum entry requirements	Approved at Board meeting (number)	Course code
<p>Diploma in General Studies (100 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: one of</p> <p>(a) the Victorian Certificate of Education including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCE Units 3 and 4 – either a study score of at least 20 in one of English, English Language or Literature or a study score of at least 25 in English as an Additional Language; <p>(b) the International Baccalaureate Diploma including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at least Grade 4 in English or English B (Standard Level or Higher Level); <p>(c) a senior secondary program, foundation studies program or equivalent approved by the Academic Board including appropriate English language studies.</p> <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. For applicants who have not completed the Victorian Certificate of Education or the International Baccalaureate Diploma, the undergraduate English language requirements must be met.</p> <p>Notes. For applications through the Victorian Tertiary Admission Centre, “middle-band” selection adjustments are made only on the basis of eligibility for Access Melbourne.</p> <p>The following Certificate IV qualifications are approved as appropriate entry pathways to the Diploma in General Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate IV in Frontline Management • Certificate IV in Conservation and Land Management • Certificate IV in Accounting • Certificate IV in Tertiary Preparation and; • Certificate IV in Agriculture 	07/2015	D-GENST

<p>Bachelor of Agriculture (300 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: one of</p> <p>(a) the Victorian Certificate of Education including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCE Units 3 and 4 – either a study score of at least 25 in one of English, English Language or Literature or a study score of at least 30 in English as an Additional Language, and • VCE Units 3 and 4 – either a study score of at least 25 in one of Mathematical Methods (CAS) or Specialist Mathematics, or a study score of at least 30 in Further Mathematics; <p>(b) the International Baccalaureate Diploma including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at least Grade 4 in English or English B (Standard Level or Higher Level), and • at least Grade 5 in Mathematical Studies (SL) or at least Grade 4 in Mathematical Studies (HL), Mathematics or Further Mathematics; <p>(c) a senior secondary program, foundation studies program or equivalent approved by the Academic Board including appropriate English language and Mathematics studies. Except for applicants eligible for Access Melbourne, minimum ATAR or equivalent overall performance rankings apply.</p> <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. For applicants who have not completed the Victorian Certificate of Education or the International Baccalaureate Diploma, the undergraduate English language requirements must be met.</p> <p>Note. For applications through the Victorian Tertiary Admission Centre, “middle-band” selection adjustments are made only on the basis of eligibility for Access Melbourne.</p>	05/2014	315PD
<p>Bachelor of Agriculture (Degree with Honours) — Parkville stream Bachelor of Agriculture (Degree with Honours) — Dookie stream (100 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • within the last 10 years a Bachelor of Agriculture with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, with a major relevant to the discipline stream within the Bachelor of Agriculture (Degree with Honours) that they seek to enter. Meeting this requirement does not guarantee selection. <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and • the availability of supervision and resources in suitable project areas <p>Quotas may be applied to the degree as a whole or to individual discipline streams and preference may be given to applicants</p>	07/2015	629AA 629DO

<p>with evidence of appropriate preparation or potential to undertake research</p> <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. For applicants who have not completed the Victorian Certificate of Education or the International Baccalaureate Diploma, the undergraduate English language requirements must be met.</p> <p>Bachelor of Agriculture (Degree with Honours): Schedule of Discipline Streams (approved by the Academic Board on 31 July 2014)</p> <p>This schedule shows available discipline streams and additional conditions applicants must meet to be eligible for (but not automatically guaranteed) selection into Honours within that stream.</p> <p>Animal Production: no additional stream-specific requirements</p> <p>Sustainable Production: no additional stream-specific requirements</p>		
<p>Master of Veterinary Studies (150 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a degree in Veterinary Science, or an equivalent qualification from a Veterinary School listed in the World Health Organisation Directory of Veterinary Schools; and • documented evidence of the applicant's professional experience in the practice of veterinary science as it relates to the area to be studied; and • documented evidence of the applicant's participation in professional continuing education activities as it relates to the discipline to be studied. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and • the professional experience; and • the professional continuing education activities. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for graduate courses For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admission into the MVS is conditional on the applicant successfully applying for and enrolling into a research 	AB 06/2014	MC-VETSTDR

<p>higher degree: one of Master of Veterinary Science (Clinical), Master of Veterinary Science, or PhD. The successful applicant will be concurrently admitted into two part time courses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students admitted to the course must be eligible for general registration with the Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria in accordance with legislative requirements to practice as a veterinarian in Victoria. 		
<p>Graduate Certificate in Veterinary Public Health (EAD) (50 credit points)</p> <p>Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Public Health (EAD) (100 credit points)</p> <p>Master of Veterinary Public Health (Emergency Animal Diseases) (200 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <p><i>either</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a degree in Veterinary Science, or an equivalent qualification from a Veterinary School listed in the World Health Organisation Directory of Veterinary Schools, and at least 2 years of documented relevant work experience in the diagnosis and control of animal diseases, or an undergraduate degree in a relevant scientific field (such as agriculture or biology), with a demonstrated appropriate background in Master of Veterinary Public Health (Emergency Animal Diseases) core curriculum areas including veterinary anatomy, physiology, pathology and microbiology, and at least 4 years of documented relevant work experience in the diagnosis and control of animal disease (for example, as a government employed Animal Health Officer). <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prior academic performance; and the professional experience. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p>	<p>AB 06/2014</p>	<p>GC-VPHEAD GD-VPHEAD MC-VPHEAD</p>
<p>Graduate Certificate in Avian Health (50 credit points)</p> <p>Master of Avian Health and Medicine (150 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p>	<p>AB 06/2014</p>	<p>MC-AVHMGA</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a professional Veterinary Science degree (at least four years in duration), or an equivalent qualification from a veterinary school listed in the World Health Organisation Directory of Veterinary Schools; and • professional veterinary practice, including at least one year of documented veterinary experience in the poultry industry or at least two years of documented veterinary experience with small or large animals, or other category of professional practice in veterinary disciplines; and • the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). <p>Applicants for this jointly-badged program are also required to meet the entry requirements of the University of Georgia, which may include achieving a prescribed minimum GRE score.</p> <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and • the professional experience. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p> <p>Note.</p> <p>For those veterinary graduates who do not have prior documented relevant work experience in the intensive poultry industry, their reading and practical involvement in fieldwork must be supplemented by undertaking a formal mentorship period, for a minimum of six months, with an avian veterinarian who is practising with a commercial poultry company. Arrangements must be approved by the Faculty through course coordinators, prior to either commencement in the Master of Avian Health and Medicine or transfer from the Graduate Certificate in Avian Health to the Master of Avian Health and Medicine. For applicants enrolling through the University of Georgia, the Graduate Certificate in Avian Health is available only as an exit award.</p>		
<p>Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (400 credit points)</p> <p><i>Normal Entry (i.e. 'graduate selection')</i></p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Biomedicine or Bachelor of Agriculture degree at the University of Melbourne, or an equivalent degree from another institution, including specified prerequisite subjects (at least one semester of study in biology and at least one semester of study in biochemistry); and • a personal statement demonstrating interest and commitment to animal health, production and welfare and in pursuing a career in the veterinary science 	AB 06/2014	MC-DVETMED

profession and any experience working with animals and/or other fields relevant to veterinary science.

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.

2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:
 - prior academic performance (based on grade-point average protocols approved specifically for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine); and
 - the personal statement.
3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board [Rules](#) on the use of selection instruments.
4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's [English language requirements](#) for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance [band 7](#) is required.

Entry with advanced standing via the Veterinary Bioscience specialisation of the Animal Health and Disease major of the Bachelor of Science at the University of Melbourne (i.e. 'undergraduate selection')

The alternative pathway for entry to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine is available to current undergraduate students who have completed two years of the Bachelor of Science at the University of Melbourne (including the prerequisite subjects of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (or equivalent) and Foundations of Animal Health 1 and 2).

Applicants apply for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at the end of their second year and, if successful, are enrolled into subjects in Veterinary Bioscience specialisation of the Animal Health and Disease major of the Bachelor of Science. Students selected via this pathway who then successfully complete the Bachelor of Science, including all subjects in the Animal Health and Disease major (Veterinary Bioscience specialisation) will be assured entry in to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program, with credit for all subjects at the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine first year level (100 points). The selection point into the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine is therefore prior to the third year of the Bachelor of Science.

1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:
 - the first and second years of the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Biomedicine degree at the University of Melbourne, including specified prerequisite subjects (biochemistry and foundations of animal health); and
 - a personal statement demonstrating interest and commitment to animal health, production and welfare and in pursuing a career in the veterinary science profession and any experience working with animals and/or other field in fields relevant to veterinary science.

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.

2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:
 - prior academic performance in science subjects, with greater weight placed on second or third-year subjects

<p>than on first-year subjects; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the personal statement. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.</p>		
<p>Graduate Diploma in Agricultural Sciences (100 credit points)</p> <p>Master of Agricultural Sciences (200 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an undergraduate degree in any discipline with a weighted average mark of least H3 (65%), or equivalent; or a graduate certificate or graduate diploma in any discipline <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prior academic performance. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p> <p>Note. Successful applicants whose undergraduate degree is in a cognate discipline, or who have completed the Graduate Certificate in Agricultural Science may receive up to 50 points credit. Successful applicants with an honours degree in a cognate discipline, or with a postgraduate degree of at least 100 points in a cognate, may receive up to 100 points credit.</p>	AB 03/2014	GD-AGSC MC-AGSC
<p>Graduate Certificate in Agricultural Sciences (50 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an undergraduate degree in any discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%) <p>Meeting this requirement does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prior academic performance. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p>	03/2014	GC-AGSC

<p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p>		
<p>Graduate Certificate in Agribusiness (50 credit points)</p> <p>Master of Agribusiness (150 points)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>either</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an undergraduate degree (or a graduate certificate or graduate diploma) in any discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, and at least two years of documented relevant professional or management experience, <i>or</i> an honours degree in any discipline, or equivalent; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a curriculum vitae or resume; and two academic referee reports; and a personal statement of up to 500 words. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prior academic performance; and if relevant the professional or management experience; and the curriculum vitae or resume; and the referee reports; and the personal statement. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required. <p>Note: Up to 50 points of credit in the Master of Agribusiness may be awarded for the completion of the Graduate Certificate in Agribusiness.</p>	<p>AB 06/2014</p>	<p>079AA</p> <p>704-BB</p> <p>704-CC</p>
<p>Graduate Diploma in Agribusiness for Veterinarians (100 credit points)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>either</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a degree in veterinary science (BVSc, DVM or equivalent qualification) and relevant professional experience or acceptance into the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Melbourne and currently undertaking full time studies in good standing. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection</p> In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will 	<p>AB 04/2015</p>	

<p>consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and, if relevant • professional experience. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for graduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.</p>		
<p>Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Professional Leadership and Management (100 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: either</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a degree in veterinary science (BVSc, DVM or equivalent qualification) and relevant professional experience or • acceptance into the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Melbourne and currently undertaking full time studies in good standing. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and, if relevant • professional experience. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for graduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.</p>	AB 04/2015	
<p>Graduate Diploma in Animal Science (100 credit points)</p> <p>Master of Animal Science (200 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: <i>either</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an undergraduate degree with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, or • a graduate or postgraduate certificate in any discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, or • a graduate or postgraduate diploma in any discipline, with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, or • an honours degree in any discipline, or equivalent. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will</p>	AB 06/2014	GD-ANIMSC MC-ANISCI

<p>consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p> <p>Note. Up to 100 points of credit in the Master of Animal Science may be awarded for the completion of a relevant honours degree or a Graduate Diploma in Animal Science or equivalent.</p>		
<p>Master of Food Science (200 credit points) Graduate Diploma in Food Science (100 credit points) Graduate Certificate in Food Science (50 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: <i>either</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an undergraduate degree in a cognate discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent; or • a graduate or postgraduate certificate in a cognate discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3(65%), or equivalent; or • a graduate or postgraduate diploma in a cognate discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3(65%), or equivalent; or • an honours degree in a cognate discipline or equivalent. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required.</p>	AB 03/2015	
<p>Graduate Certificate in Wine Technology and Viticulture (50 credit points)</p> <p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed: <i>either</i></p>	AB 06/2014	449AA

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an undergraduate degree; or • a TAFE or Higher Education Advanced Diploma in an appropriate discipline and three years of documented, relevant work experience, or equivalent, or • a TAFE Diploma in an appropriate discipline and four and a half years of documented, relevant work experience, or equivalent; or • six years of documented, relevant work experience, including at least three years in a supervisory role. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and • professional experience. 3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments. 4. Applicants are required to satisfy the English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required. 		
<p>Master of Food and Packaging Innovation (200 credit points)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed Either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an undergraduate degree (or a graduate certificate or graduate diploma) in any discipline with a weighted average mark of at least H3 (65%), or equivalent, or • an honours degree in any discipline, or equivalent; and • a curriculum vitae or resume; and • two academic referee reports; and • a personal statement of up to 500 words. 2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and if relevant • the professional or management experience; and • the curriculum vitae or resume; and • the referee reports; and • the personal statement. 3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board Rules on the use of selection instruments. 4. Applicants are required to satisfy the English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 6.5 is required. 	AB 01/2015	MC-FOODPI

<p>Note: Successful applicants whose undergraduate degree is in a cognate discipline may receive up to 50 points credit. Successful applicants with an honours degree in a cognate discipline, or with a postgraduate degree of at least 100 points in a cognate discipline, may receive up to 100 points credit.</p>		
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