

UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA

FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS IN

VETERINARY SCIENCE : 2010 - 2013

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Please also see the document entitled IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS IN VETERINARY SCIENCE : September 2009 and 2010 - 2011

First year intakes

All school-leaving applicants will be required to complete the institutional proficiency test which is currently the National Benchmark Test (NBT). Applicants who perform at the basic level in the NBT will not be considered for admission. Academic ranking will be calculated on a 60:40 ratio of the Grade 11 : National Benchmark Test results. Provisional selection based on the above will become full selection provided the Grade 12 APS is not > 4 points below the Grade 11 APS but still above the minimum of 30 and the general level of academic performance has been maintained within these limits.

2010/2011

The new BVSc degree programme will have its first intake into the first year of study in 2011. This intake will cater for students who are due to complete the BSc (Biological Sciences) I year of study at the end of 2010 (75% of places); students who entered the extended programme in biological sciences at the beginning of 2010 and due to complete the third semester in 2011; international students already enrolled at the University; school leavers of designated groups in liaison with the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF). Prospective students who will be completing Grade 12 in 2010, other than those of designated groups selected in collaboration with DAFF, will unfortunately not be considered.

Prospective 2010 Grade 12 students may either take a gap year in 2011 or apply for admission to BSc (Biological Sciences) I or any other first year programme. If a gap year is taken, they will be considered as 2010 matriculants on the basis of their Grade 11 and NBT results for selection into the first category listed below under 2011/2012. If they enroll for BSc (Biological Sciences) I or any other first year programme, they will still be considered as 2010 matriculants on the same basis and in the same category as the gap year students.

Students who complete BSc (Biological Sciences I in 2011 may, however, also qualify for consideration in the second (small) category listed below under 2011/2012. Students with valid academic credits for first year modules in these groups will retain those credits and may apply for exemption from these modules in 2012. They will have to complete any outstanding modules in that year but may at the same time apply to do subjects in advance for which they may obtain credits in the second year of the veterinary programme and apply for exemption at that time.

Students in this first intake will still require 7 years to complete the programme.

Applications will close on 30 June 2010.

2011/2012

Applications for admission to the first year of study in 2012 will close on 30 June 2011. At this time, applications will be considered from the following students:

- 'matriculants' of 2010 and 2011 in equal numbers – ranking will be done on the basis of Grade 11 academic results and the institutional proficiency test (largest group)
- students of the 2010 Grade 12 cohort who are due to complete the BSc (Biological Sciences) 1 year of study at the end of 2011
- students who entered the extended programme in biological sciences at the beginning of 2011
- international students
- repeating students
- school leavers of designated groups in liaison with DAFF

Students in this intake should complete the programme in 6-7 years.

2012/2013

Applications for admission to the first year of study in 2013 will close on 30 June 2012. At this time, applications will be considered from the following students:

- 'matriculants' of 2012 – ranking will be done on the basis of Grade 11 academic results and the institutional proficiency test
- students of the 2012 'matric' cohort due to complete the first semester of the programme in 2013
- students of the 2011 Grade 12 cohort who are due to complete the BSc (Biological Sciences) 1 year of study at the end of 2012
- students who entered the extended programme in biological sciences at the beginning of 2012
- international students
- repeating students
- school leavers of designated groups in liaison with DAFF

Students in this intake should complete the programme in 6 years.

Second year intakes

2012 and thereafter

Prospective students with appropriate first or postgraduate degrees will be accommodated for selection and admission to the second year of study in 2012 and annually thereafter provided they meet the requirements of the first year of study. Applications close on 30 June of the year preceding admission. These students should complete the programme in 5 years. Provision will also be made for a small number of repeaters.