# Messege of the Vice Chancellor



It is with great pleasure that I welcome all the new entrants to the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science on behalf of the University of Peradeniya. Those who gained admission to the University of Peradeniya are indeed a privileged group considering the numbers who qualify to enter to the Sri Lankan University system. Obviously, the primary objective of a veterinary undergraduate would be to complete the course in Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science successfully and become a competent veterinarian. The University of Peradeniya is the only institution in the country which offers this special field of study with an environment conducive for intellectual pursuits of the highest standards. The university has one of the best libraries in the South Asia covering many branches of learning. Hence, those who gained admission to the University should make use of this unique opportunity using the faculties provided and lay a solid foundation for their future by achieving academic excellence.

In comparison to the most universities in the country, University of Peradeniya is the only residential university that provides full complement of facilities besides providing excellent academic training programme. It also provides facilities such as sports and many other supplementary opportunities to the undergraduates. I firmly believe that the students should make use of these opportunities to improve their physical and mental fitness, leadership qualities, interpersonal and communication skills to become a useful citizen to the Country.

In addition, the University of Peradeniya also has many student societies covering wide interests ranging from nature exploration, conservation and scientific innovation to cultural music, drama, religious and social activities. The students can gainfully engage themselves in activities of these societies to broaden their horizons.

I take this occasion to wish all of you a very pleasant and a memorable stay at the University and every success in your future academic activities.

Professor Upul B. Dissanayake Vice-Chancellor University of Peradeniya

# Messege of the Dean



It is with great pleasure that I warmly welcome the new entrants to the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science for the 2016/2017 academic year. I consider you as the most privileged and fortunate group among the students who sat for the A/L examination last year since you have been selected to the largest and the most beautiful university in the country. You become even more unique as you have been selected to a faculty which is the only one of its kind in the university system of Sri Lanka. After successfully completing a highly competitive examination and entering to the university, I understand how happy and proud you all are now as university students. I congratulate on your achievement.

Your undergraduate course on veterinary science leading to the degree of B.V.Sc. is based on a horizontally and vertically integrated curriculum designed to provide sound training on theoretical as well as practical aspects of veterinary profession. The program is conducted by highly qualified teachers with the aid of well-equipped facilities. As a faculty, our ambition is to produce veterinary surgeons who are fully competent in their profession.

University of Peradeniya is a complete university with a whole range of facilities including sports, recreation and on-campus accommodation. Students are constantly motivated to show their best performance in education. Moreover, they are always encouraged to engage in at least one extracurricular activity which will make them well-balanced individuals. As a student of Peradeniya University, you will get a rare opportunity to mingle with students of other eight faculties which will be an experience of life-long advantage.

At the end of our program you would become not only a veterinary graduate equipped with knowledge and skills but also a kind, caring and compassionate veterinary doctor who contributes to the economic development and prosperity of the country.

On behalf of the Faculty, I wish you all a happy and memorable university life at Peradeniya.

Dr. DMS Munasinghe Dean-Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science University of Peradeniya

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### University of Peradeniya



The University of Peradeniya is located amidst great natural beauty just 8 km from the city of Kandy, the historic capital of the last independent kingdom of Sri Lanka. Access to the university premises is through the Galaha road, close to the Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya, a popular tourist attraction, famous for its rare tropical plants and orchids. Peradeniya is 110 km from Colombo and can be reached within three and half hours by road or railway. The nearest railway station, 'Sarasavi Uyana', is located in the campus. The University is situated East and South of the Peradeniya town where the Colombo - Kandy road crosses the Mahaweli River, the longest river in Sri Lanka. It straddles the valley of the Mahaweli and spreads part of the way up the Hantana ranges on the East. The Mahaweli River flows across the campus towards the north enhancing the natural beauty of the university.

Faculty of Agriculture and Faculty of Veterinary Science were the very first established at the university of Peradeniya in 1949. These faculties were followed by Arts in 1952, Dental Sciences in 1954, Medicine in 1961, Science and Engineering in 1964, Allied Health Sciences in 2006 and Management in 2015.



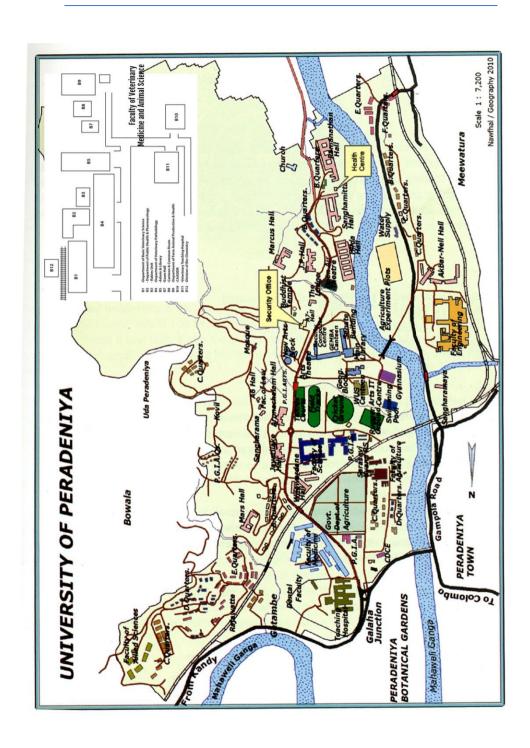


The university is situated at an elevation of 500-1000 meters above sea level and has a comfortable mild climate endemic to the Sri Lankan hill country. Peradeniya is located in the wet zone of the country and receives a rainfall of 2540 mm from the two monsoons spread throughout the year. There is usually a short dry season in January and February.

The environmental temperature fluctuates between 18-30 °C. Higher temperatures are usually experienced in the months from February to May with a progressively lower temperature in the second half of the year. The nights are cool and the mornings are misty in the months of December and January.

The University park has numerous trees, that have been planted at the commencement of construction of the university. Most of them flower in early March. The University park flourishes with blossoming flowers from May to August. Flowers line the pathways of the university situated in the vicinity of the Arts faculty along the banks of the Mahaweli river. There are a variety of shade trees in the University Park including the forest reserve at the upper region of the Hantana range which covers about 350 acres.

# University of Peradeniya Map



### Vision, Mission, Values and Goals of the University

#### Vision

Be a centre of excellence in higher education with national, regional and global standing

#### Mission

University of Peradeniya strives to offer globally recognized knowledge and education to knowledge seekers at undergraduate, postgraduate and non-graduate levels and deliver education, training and research programs by conducting professional and curriculum-based teaching and learning and conduct high quality research for national, regional and global needs whilst maintaining highest levels of efficiency, effectiveness, integrity and transparency in contributing to the development of a knowledge-based society.

#### Values

- ✓ Highest standards of teaching, learning and research
- ✓ Academic freedom
- ✓ Integrity and transparency in all its functions
- ✓ Respect for cultural diversity

### Goals

- Quality and relevance of all undergraduate & postgraduate programs in the University, enhance to achieve international recognition in higher education.
- ➤ Develop resources to enhance the quality of research contributing to the national and international requirements available.
- ➤ Enhance administrative and financial efficiency within the framework of corporate governance.
- ➤ Increase opportunities for a wider range of educational programs to contribute to the development of a knowledge- based society.
- Enhance Physical & human resources to offer a conducive and aesthetic environment for academic pursuits.



# **University Crest**

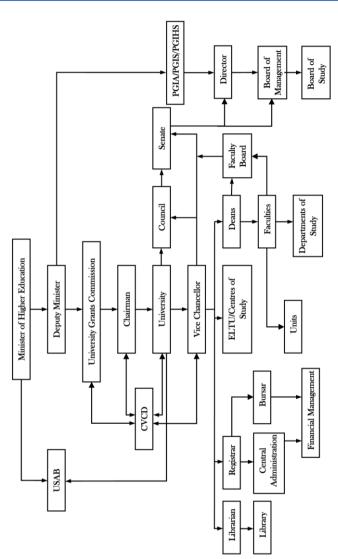


In establishing its identity at its inception in 1942, the University of Ceylon decided that a coat-of-arms would not be in keeping with the traditions of an oriental country. Instead, it chose a symbol with a lion motif that has remained the university's logo over the years although small changes were made during its transformation into the University of Peradeniya.

The original logo of the university consisted of a lion the lion being the symbol of Sri Lanka-surrounded by a circle containing the Sanskrit motto "Sarvasva Locanam Sastram" (knowledge is the eye unto all) and the words University of Ceylon in English. Outside the circle was a design of "Pala Pethi", a symbol of purity and wisdom in indigenous art, represented here by stylized lotus petals of the Kandyan period. The colours of the logo are gold on maroon.

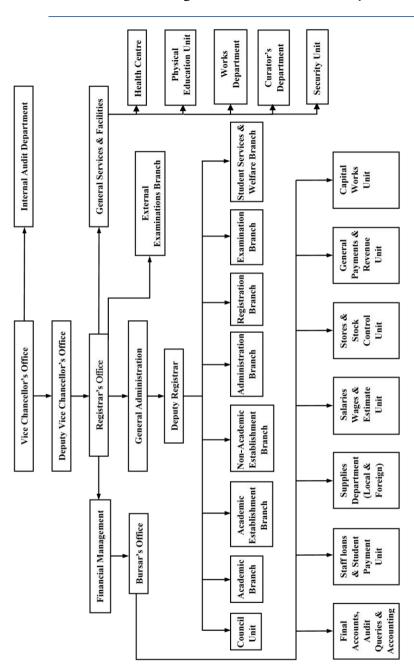
In 1978, when the University of Peradeniya became an independent entity, the council adopted the logo of the University of Ceylon without the Sanskrit motto, but with the words University of Peradeniya in Sinhala, Tamil and English. The annual reports from 1979 came to carry the Sanskrit aphorism from Hitopadesha, "Vidya Dadati Vinayam" (knowledge gives discipline). In 1991, the Council decided to restore the original Sanskrit motto in the University logo. As it was observed that the shape of the "Pala Pethi" and the original colour combinations have changed over the years, the Council decided in 2011 to restore all the features of the Logo in accordance with its original design.

# Organization of the University



- USAB University Service Appeals Board
- CVCD Committee of Vice Chancellors and Directors
- ELTU English Language Teaching Unit
- PGIA Post Graduate Institute of Agriculture
- PGIS Post Graduate Institute of Science
- PGISH Postgraduate Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences

# Organization of the University



### Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science

#### Introduction

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science is the only Higher Educational Institution in Sri Lanka which trains Veterinary Surgeons. The degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) is awarded after a four-year period of study. The rigorous training program imparts knowledge on all aspects of animal health and production including the study of Pet Animals, Livestock, Wildlife and Aquatic species. At the present time, approximately eighty students enroll in the program each year. The degree is recognized by the Veterinary Council for Sri Lanka for registration to practice as a Veterinary Surgeon in Sri Lanka.

#### Vision

To be the national centre of learning and research in veterinary medicine and animal production and to produce graduates of high standard who could confidently manage the health-care and production of farm, companion, captive, wild, aquatic and other animal species which are useful to mankind and to bring solace, happiness and profitable income to their owners.

#### Mission

To impart a sound knowledge of veterinary medicine and animal production techniques to students in order to produce competent veterinarians and scientists of high calibre, who would always strive to increase the productivity of livestock and improve the quality of life and welfare of farm, companion, aquatic, captive, wild and other animals by providing relief from suffering through healing and prevention of diseases. The mission also includes provision of i) training required to protect the community from zoonotic diseases, ii) facilities for continuous improvement of professional skills and knowledge, iii) research studies leading to higher degrees and iv) participation in policy formulation and implementation of activities on animal production, health and welfare at regional and national levels in order to secure a high standard of living for the community.



### Historical Background











The Veterinary education in Sri Lanka started as the Department of Veterinary Science, established in Colombo at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Ceylon in 1947. At the inception of this course the relevant departments of the Faculty of Medicine, namely Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Pharmacology and Pathology co-operated in the teaching programmes. In 1954, this department was shifted to Peradeniya and incorporated into the Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary Science of the University of Ceylon. However, the preclinical courses continued to be taught in Colombo until 1966.

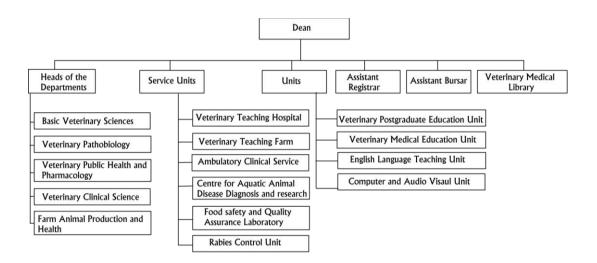
In 1973 the Department of Veterinary Science was upgraded to a School of Veterinary Science within a Faculty of Medical, Dental and Veterinary Sciences of the Peradeniya Campus of University of Sri Lanka. The School consisted of three departments viz. Departments of Veterinary Preclinical, Paraclinical and Clinical Studies. The Department of Animal Science had the unique status of serving the School of Veterinary Science as well as the Faculty of Agriculture.

In early 1980, the BVSc training programme received full faculty status with four departments. Departments of Veterinary Preclinical, Paraclinical, Clinical Studies and Animal Science and the Faculty was designated as the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FVMAS). This Faculty was officially opened on 27 March 1980 with Professor S.T. Fernando as its first Dean. As an interim measure, instead of forming the fourth department, the FVMAS continued to use the services of the Department of Animal Science of the Faculty of Agriculture to teach the course in animal production. In July 2000, the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science was restructured with renaming of the departments and concurrent commencement of the fourth department. At present the FVMAS consists of 5 departments, namely Basic Veterinary Sciences, Veterinary Pathobiology, Veterinary Clinical Sciences, Veterinary Public Health and Pharmacology and Farm Animal Production and Health .

In the early years of veterinary education in Sri Lanka, the curriculum of BVSc training programme was similar to that followed by the Royal Veterinary College in London with the course also emphasizing certain subject areas which were less relevant to veterinary practice in this country. However, with the passage of time, the curriculum was modified largely on ad hoc basis, but a major revision was not launched.

# Organization of the Faculty

In 1991. The curriculum adopted in year 1991 was revised again in 2000 to make the BVSc course more relevant to meet the demands of the veterinary profession in the next decade or two. In the revised curriculum, the conventional subject matter in the BVSc training programme has been retained and made more relevant, greater integration of courses in animal health and production sciences have been emphasized, and new course materials have been introduced to broad base the training programme as applicable to the veterinary profession. In October, 2018, a new curriculum was approved by the University Grants Commission to be implemented from Year 2020 onward. The new curriculum extends the BVSc programme to a 10 semesters (5 academic years) and was prepared under a OIE twining programme with technical assistance from the Massey University, New Zealand to meet global standards.



# **Faculty Administration**

# Office of the Dean

The administration constitutes the Dean, Assistant Registrar and Assistant Bursar. The office of the Dean is responsible for the following.

- ➤ The General Administration
- > Financial Administration
- > Student Registration and Student Services
- Examinations



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# Departments of the Faculty

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science consists of five Departments.

- ➤ Basic Veterinary Sciences
- Veterinary Pathobiology
- > Veterinary Public Health and Pharmacology
- Veterinary Clinical Sciences
- Farm Animal Production and Health

#### Academic Staff

### Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences

Dr. WM Anoja P Wanigasekera - Senior Lecturer//Head of the Department

Dr. D Madura S Munasinghe, - Senior Lecturer

Prof. HB Syril Ariyaratne - Professor in Veterinary Physiology

Dr. LJP Anura P Jayasooriya - Senior Lecturer

Dr. Niromi K Jayasekara, - Senior Lecturer

Dr. LG Sampath Lokugalappatti, - Senior Lecturer

Dr. YAM Saumya Wickramasinghe - Senior Lecturer

Dr. Nilmini Jayasena, - Senior Lecturer

Dr. Dilan A Satharasinghe, - Senior Lecturer

Dr. RMS Bimalka K Ranasinghe - Senior Lecturer

Dr. AM Ushani Atapattu - Lecturer (Probationary)

Dr. KA Sathya Nadeeshani - Lecturer (Probationary)

### Department of Veterinary Pathobiology

Prof. R. P. V. J. Rajapakse - Professor in Veterinary Parasitology

Head of the Department

Dr. A. Arulkanthan - Senior Lecturer

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Dr. S.S.S de S. Jagoda - Senior Lecturer

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Dr. A. W. Kalupahana - Senior Lecturer

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Head of the Department

Adjunct Senior Lecturer in Farm Animal Production & Health, School of Veterinary

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Dr. Kalaichelvan Nizanantha - Lecturer

# **BVSc Degree Programme**

### Undergraduate Admission

The admission of undergraduate students to follow the Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) course is made by the University Grants Commission (U.G.C., 18, Ward Place, Colombo 07, Sri Lanka). Selection for admission is based on the results of the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination conducted by the Department of Examinations, Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka. Prospective candidates are advised to consult the booklet "Admissions to Undergraduate Courses in the Universities and University Colleges of Sri Lanka" issued by the University Grants Commission.

The BVSc degree programme extends over four academic years with two semesters of 15-17 weeks per each academic year. The total number of subjects covered is 27 and most of the subjects extend over two semesters while the rest are confined to a single semester. The "Course" refers to a part of a subject taught in a given semester or to the entire course in the case of a single semester subject. Each course is identified by a letter code and a number code.

## Coding system for courses

The letter codes for different Departments / Units

- BVS Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences
- VPB Department of Veterinary Pathobiology
- VPHP Department of Veterinary Public Health and Pharmacology
- VCS Department of Veterinary Clinical Science
- FAPH Department of Farm Animal Production and Health
- VMEU Veterinary Medical Education Unit

#### Number codes

First digit
 Academic year - 1, 2, 3, 4

• Second digit Semester within academic year - 1, 2

• Third digit Subjects within each department

Examin ation	Subject/Paper	Course
	Veterinary Anatomy I & II	BVS 111, BVS 121
First	Veterinary Physiology I & II	BVS 112, BVS 122
BVSc	Veterinary Biochemistry	BVS 113, BVS 123
	Fish Biology and Aquaculture	BVS 215 (I)
		FAPH 215
	Wildlife Biology & Ecology Wildlife	BVS 215 (II)
0 1	Management & Conservation	VCS 214
Second BVSc	Immunology	VPB 212
BVSc	Pathology I & II	VPB 211, VPB 221
	Microbiology I & II	VPB 213, VPB 223
	Parasitology I & II	VPB 214, VPB 224
	Animal Nutrition I & II	BVS 214, BVS 224
	Economics	FAPH 317
	Statistical & Epidemiology I (Statistics)	FAPH 316
	English	VMEU 311
	Computer Literacy	VMEU 312
Third	Public Health I & II	VPHP316, VPHP 326
BVSc	Food Technology & Quality Assurance I & II	VPHP 317, VPHP 327
	Pharmacology I & II	VPHP 315, VPHP 325
	Animal Production I & II	FAPH 314 (I), FAPH 314 (II),
		FAPH 324
	Business Management	FAPH 418
	Human Resource Management & Communication	FAPH 419
	Statistical & Epidemiology II (Epidemiology)	FAPH 416
	Medicine I (General)	VCS 311
	Medicine I (General)	FAPH 311
	Veterinary Medicine I (VCS) & II (FAPH)	VCS 311, VCS 321, VCS 421,
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Final BVSc		321(I), FAPH 321 (II), FAPH 421
	Veterinary Surgery I (VCS) & II (FAPH)	VCS 322 (I), VCS 322 (II), VCS
	vetermary surgery I (v so) ee II (III II)	412, FAPH 322 (I), FAPH 322
		(II), FAPH 412
	Veterinary Reproduction & Obstetrics I	VCS 413(I), VCS 413(II), VCS
	(VCS) & II (FAPH)	423 (I), VCS 423 (II), FAPH
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	Project IV	413(I), FAPH 413 (II), FAPH 423 VMEU 313,VMEU 323, VMEU
	Project IV	413, VMEU 423
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#### **Examination Procedure**

#### 1. General

- 1.1 A student is admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science if he/she
- 1.1.1 has registered as a veterinary student of the University of Peradeniya; and
- 1.1.2 has been an internal full time student of the University; and
- 1.1.3 has passed the First, Second, Third and Final BVSc examinations; and
- 1.1.4 has passed the English language and Computer Literacy examination (with minimum of Grade C) conducted by the VMEU; and
- 1.1.5 has satisfactorily completed (with minimum of Grade C) the Final year project work and
- 1.1.6 has completed the BVSc course within 8 years from the date of his or her registration as an undergraduate.
- 1.2 A student shall be deemed to have completed a prescribed subject / course, when he/she has, to the satisfaction of the Faculty Board and the Vice Chancellor, regularly attended the theoretical (lectures, tutorials, seminars etc.) and practical (demonstrations, laboratory practicals, clinicals, field work etc.) instructions prescribed for that subject / course.
- 1.3 A student shall have an overall 80% attendance in every subject / course in order to be eligible to sit the examination where the particular subject / course is to be examined. If a student has not attained the above stipulated attendance, under exceptional circumstances he/she may be allowed to sit the respective examination provided special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 1.4 The courses and the syllabus of each subject for the Degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) and the number of papers for each subject at each examination shall be prescribed by regulations made by the Senate.
- 1.5 For the Degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science, there shall be four major examinations *viz.* the First, Second, Third and Final Examinations in Veterinary Science. These examinations shall consist of end of Semester and year-end examinations and for each subject there shall be a written examination with or without practical, clinical, oral and project work as approved by the Senate.
- 1.6 For all subjects that are of one semester duration, the examination shall be held at the end of the given semester; at which the concerned subjects are taught and for all those

subjects that are of more than one semester duration, there shall be in-course assessment examinations during and at the end of the each semester and also an year-end examination after completion of the teaching programme of the relevant subject(s).

1.7 The final marks obtained for each subject shall be released as Grades A through F in the following manner:

≥ 70	A	40-49	D
60-69	В	30-39	E
50-59	С	Below 29	F

A student shall obtain a Grade C or a higher grade in each subject in order to have passed that subject.

- 1.8 A student shall be permitted only four attempts to pass each subject. The fifth and final attempt may be allowed, provided special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 1.9 A candidate to be awarded the BVSc degree shall satisfactorily complete the Student Project (VMEU 313 through 423) during the 3rd and 4th years and also obtain a minimum of Grade C pass in Computer Literacy (VMEU 312) and English (VMEU111 through VMEU 311). These two subjects shall be evaluated at the end of Semester 5.
- 1.10 The maximum grade that shall be given to a referred subject shall be C.

#### 2. First BVSc Examination

The course for the First BVSc Examination shall consist of two Semesters (Semesters 1 and 2). The First BVSc examination shall consist of two parts at the end of Semester 1 and Semester 2.

- 2.1 The examination shall consist of the following subjects:
  - 1. Veterinary Anatomy (BVS 111, BVS 121)
  - 2. Veterinary Physiology (BVS 112, BVS 122)
  - 3. Veterinary Biochemistry (BVS 113, BVS 123)

For the purpose of computing the marks for the first BVSc examination, each subject shall be allocated 100 marks.

- 2.2 A candidate for the First Examination shall have, to the satisfaction of the Faculty Board and the Vice Chancellor, followed the prescribed course of study in each of the subjects specified in Section 2.1.
- 2.3 Notwithstanding the fact that he/she may be other wise eligible, a student shall not be a candidate for the First Examination if a period of four years or more has elapsed since his/her registration as a veterinary student, provided that where a period of four years or more has elapsed a student may be a candidate for the First Examination, if special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 2.4 A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the First Examination if he/she has at the first or subsequent attempts attained a Grade C or a higher grade pass in each subject as specified in Section 2.1.
- 2.5 The First BVSc Repeat Examination shall be held not less than 4 weeks after the release of the results of the previous First BVSc Examination.
- 2.6 A candidate who has referred only in one of the above subjects but has passed two other first BVSc subjects shall be permitted to follow the courses prescribed for the second BVSc examination, provided that he/she has obtained a minimum of Grade E (ref. section 1.7) in the referred subject.

#### 3. Second BVSc Examination

The course for the 2nd BVSc Examination shall consist of two semesters (Semesters 3 and 4).

3.1 The examination shall consist of the following subjects:

Year-end subjects

- 1. Veterinary Pathology (VPB 211, VPB 221)
- 2. Veterinary Microbiology (VPB 213, VPB 223)
- 3. Veterinary Parasitology (VPB 214, VPB 224)
- 4. Animal Nutrition (BVS 214, BVS 224)

End of semester subjects (Semester 3)

- 5. Fish Biology [BVS 215 (I)] & Aquaculture (FAPH 215)
- 6. Immunology (VPB 212)
- 7. Wildlife Biology & Ecology [BVS 215 (II)] and Wildlife Management & Conservation (VCS

214)

- 3.2 A candidate for the Second Examination shall have, to the satisfaction of the Faculty Board and the Vice Chancellor, followed the prescribed course of study in each of the subjects specified in Section 3.1. A candidate who has referred in any one subject at the First BVSc Examination, shall sit that subject at the first available opportunity and may sit the Second BVSc Examination pending the results of the First BVSc Examination.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding the fact that he/she may be otherwise eligible, a student shall not be a candidate for the Second BVSc Examination if a period of 5 years or more has elapsed since his registration as a veterinary student, provided that where a period of 5 years or more has elapsed a student may be a candidate for the Second BVSc Examination, if special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 3.4 For the purposes of computing the marks at the Second BVSc Examination, the allocation of marks for the year-end subjects viz. Veterinary Pathology, Veterinary Microbiology, Veterinary Parasitology and Animal Nutrition shall be 100 for each subject. The marks allocated for the end of semester subjects *viz.* Fish Biology and Aquaculture; Wildlife Biology, Wildlife Conservation and Management; and Immunology shall be 25 for each subject. Thus, the maximum marks for the Second BVSc shall be 475.
- 3.5 A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the Second BVSc Examination if he/she has at first or subsequent attempts obtained a Grade C or a higher grade pass in each subject as specified in Section 3.1.
- 3.6 The Second BVSc Repeat Examination shall be held not less than 4 weeks after the release of the results of the previous Second BVSc Examination. The Repeat examination for the end of semester subjects shall be held with the Second BVSc repeat examination.
- 3.7 A candidate who has referred only in one of the year-end subjects at the second BVSc examination but has passed all other year-end Second BVSc subjects (Section 3.1) shall be permitted to follow the courses prescribed for the 3rd BVSc examination, provided that he/she has obtained a minimum of Grade E in the referred subject.

#### 4. Third BVSc Examination

The course for the third BVSc Examination shall consist of two semesters (Semesters 5 and 6).

4.1 The Third BVSc Examination shall consist of the following subjects.

Year-end Subjects

- 1. Public Health (VPHP 316, VPHP 326)
- 2. Food Processing and Quality Assurance (VPHP 317, VPHP 327)
- 3. Pharmacology (VPHP 315, VPHP 325)
- 4. Animal Production [FAPH 314(1), FAPH 314(11), FAPH 324]

# End of semester Subjects (Semester 5)

- 5. Economics (FAPH 317)
- 6. Statistics and Epidemiology (Statistics) (FAPH 316)
- 4.2 A candidate for the Third BVSc Examination shall have, to the satisfaction of the Faculty Board and the Vice Chancellor, followed the prescribed course of study in each of the subjects specified in Section 4.1 and shall have passed all the subjects in the First BVSc Examination and at least 6 of the 7 subjects of the Second BVSc examination to be eligible to sit for the Third BVSc Examination.
- 4.3 A candidate who has referred in any one subject at the Second BVSc Examination, shall sit that subject at the first available opportunity and may sit the Third BVSc examination pending results of the Second BVSc Examination.
- 4.4 Notwithstanding the fact that he/she may be otherwise eligible, a student shall not be a candidate for the Third BVSc Examination if a period of 6 years or more has elapsed since his/her registration as a veterinary student, provided that where a period of 6 years or more has elapsed a student may be a candidate for the Third BVSc Examination, if special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 4.5 For the purposes of computing marks for the Third BVSc examination, the allocation of marks for the year-end subjects *viz.* Public Health, Food Technology and Quality Assurance, Pharmacology and Animal Production shall be 100 for each subject. The marks allocated for the end of semester subjects *viz.* Economics and Statistics, shall be 25 for each subject. Thus the maximum marks for the Third BVSc shall be 450.
- 4.6 A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the Third BVSc Examination, if he/she has at first or subsequent attempts obtained a Grade C or a higher grade pass in each subject as specified in Section 4.1.

- 4.7 The Third BVSc Repeat Examination shall be held not less than 4 weeks after the release of the results of the Third BVSc Examination. The Repeat examination for the end of semester subjects shall be held with the Third BVSc repeat examination.
- 4.8 A candidate who has referred only in one of the year-end subjects at the Third BVSc examination but has passed all the other Third BVSc subjects shall be permitted to follow the courses prescribed for the Final BVSc examination, provided that he/she has obtained a minimum of grade E in the referred subject.

### 5 Final BVSc Examination

The course for the Final BVSc Examination shall consist of 4 Semesters (Semesters 5, 6, 7 and 8). A candidate shall not be permitted to follow the courses in Semester 7 and 8 (fourth year programme) unless he/she has passed the First and Second BVSc Examinations and also passed a minimum of 3 year-end subjects in the Third BVSc Examination with a minimum of Grade E in the referred subject.

5.1 The Final BVSc Examination shall consist of the following subjects:

### Year-end Subjects

- Veterinary Medicine [VCS 311, VCS 321, VCS 421, FAPH 311, FAPH 321 (I), FAPH 321 (II), FAPH 421, VPB 321]
- Veterinary Surgery [VCS 322 (I), VCS 322 (II), VCS 412, FAPH 322 (I), FAPH 322 (II), FAPH 412]
- 3. Veterinary Reproduction and Obstetrics [VCS 413 (I), VCS 413 (II), VCS 423 (I), VCS 423 (II), FAPH 413(I), FAPH 413 (II), FAPH 423]

#### End of semester Subjects (Semester 7)

- 4. Veterinary Epidemiology (FAPH 416)
- 5. Business Management (FAPH 418)
- 6. Human Resource Management and Communication (FAPH 419)
- 5.2 A candidate for the Final Examination in Veterinary Science shall have
- 5.2.1 Passed the First Examination in Veterinary Science; and
- 5.2.2 Passed the Second Examination in Veterinary Science; and
- 5.2.3 Passed at least five subjects at the Third BVSc and has obtained a minimum of grade E in the referred subject; and
- 5.2.4 Satisfactorily passed the English language examination and Computer Literacy

examination conducted by the faculty with a minimum of grade C pass .

- 5.3 Notwithstanding the fact that he/she may be other wise eligible, a student shall not be a candidate for the Final Examination in Veterinary Science if a period of eight years or more has elapsed since his/her registration as a veterinary student, provided that where a period of eight years or more has elapsed a student may be a candidate for the Final Examination in Veterinary Science if special approval has been granted by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty Board.
- 5.4 For the purpose of computing the marks at the Final BVSc examination, the allocation of marks for the year-end subjects *viz.* Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Surgery, and Veterinary Reproduction and Obstetrics shall be 100 for each subject. The marks allocated for the end of semester subjects *viz.* Human Resource Management and Communication, Veterinary Epidemiology and Business Management shall be 25 for each subject. Thus the maximum marks for the Final BVSc shall be 375.
- 5.5 A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the Final BVSc Examination if he/she at first or subsequent attempts and within a period of 8 years from the date of first registration has obtained a Grade C or a higher grade pass in each subject as specified in section 5.1 and successfully completed the Student Project work to the satisfaction of the supervisor(s) and examiner(s). The Student Project report shall be submitted to the Dean's Office, within 3 weeks of completion of the Final BVSc Examination.
- 5.6 The Final BVSc Repeat Examination shall be held not less than 4 weeks after the release of the results of the last Final BVSc Examination. The Repeat examination for the end of semester subjects shall be held during the Semester 8 or along with the Final BVSc Repeat examination where necessary.

### 6. Award of Honours

6.1 The aggregate marks obtained at the first attempt of the First, Second, Third and Final BVSc examinations will be weighted according to the following percentages for the award of honours:

First BVSc - 20%
Second BVSc - 20%
Third BVSc - 20%
Final BVSc - 40%

6.2 First Class Honours shall be awarded to candidates who obtain an overall average of 70

percent or more. A Second Class Upper Division shall be awarded to those candidates who obtain an overall average of 60 to 69 percent while a Second Class Lower Division shall be awarded to those who obtain an overall average of 55 to 59 percent.

### 7. The order of merit

The overall order of merit at the successful completion of the BVSc course for each batch of students shall be based on the final aggregate weighted marks (refer section 6.1) obtained by each student.

# 8. Effective date of the degree

The effective date of the BVSc Degree shall be the date of completion of the Final BVSc examination or completion of all requirements of the BVSc degree.

## Rules and Regulations - Examination

Examination procedures, offences and punishments for examinations conducted under the semester based course unit system.

Examination of a course/course unit may consist of several assessment components (quizzes, within semester and end-semester examinations, term papers, assignments, etc.).

### Regulations

These Regulations may be cited as the Examination Procedure, Offences and Punishment Regulation No.1 of 2008, effective from 23.01.2008.

#### Part I - Examination Procedure

- 1. A candidate is expected to be outside the examination hall at least 15 minutes before the commencement of each paper, but shall not enter the hall until he/she is requested to do so by the supervisor.
- 2. On admission to the hall a candidate shall occupy the seat allotted to him/her and shall not change it except on the specific instruction of the Supervisor.
- 3. For examinations which have duration of one or more hours, a candidate shall not be admitted to the examination hall after the expiry of half an hour from the commencement of the examination. A candidate shall not be allowed to leave the hall until half an hour has elapsed from the commencement of the examination or during the last 15 minutes of the paper.
- 4. However, under exceptional circumstances or in cases where examinations have duration of less than one hour, the supervisor in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty concerned may use his discretion in the enforcement of Rule 3.
- 5. A candidate shall have his/her student record book/student identity card/admission card with him/her in the examination hall on every occasion he/she presents himself/herself for a paper. His/Her candidature is liable to be cancelled if he/she does not produce the student record book/student identity card/admission card, he/she shall sign a declaration in respect of the paper for which he/she had not produced the student record book/student identity card/admission card in the form provided for it, and produce the student record book/student identity card/admission card to the Registrar or the relevant senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar within the next three working days. If a candidate loses his/her student record book/student identity card/admission card during the examination period, he/she shall obtain a duplicate of

student record book/student identity card/admission card as the case may be from the Registrar or relevant Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar for production at the examination hall.

- 6. A candidate shall not have on his/her person or in his/her clothes or on the admission card, time table, student record book/student identity card, any notes, signs or formulae etc., except those items that are permitted. All unauthorized items which a candidate has brought with him/her should be kept at a place indicated by the Supervisor / Invigilator.
- 7. A candidate may be required by the supervisor to declare any item in his/her possession or person.
- 8. No candidate shall copy or attempt to copy from any book or paper or notes or similar material or from the scripts of another candidate. A candidate shall neither help another candidate nor obtain help from another candidate or any other person. A candidate shall not conduct himself/herself so negligently that an opportunity is given to any other candidate to read anything written by him/her or to watch any practical examination performed by him/her. No candidate shall use any other unfair means or obtain or render improper assistance at the examination.
- If any candidate was found to have copied from another candidate by an examiner at
  the time of marking, he/she would be treated as having committed a punishable
  offence.
- 10. No candidate shall submit a practical book or field book or dissertation/thesis or project study or answer script or assignment which has been prepared wholly or partly by anyone other than the candidate himself/herself.
- 11. A candidate shall bring his/her own pens, ink, mathematical instruments, erasers, pencils or any other approved equipment or stationery which he/she has been instructed to bring. The use of a calculator will be permitted only for papers that contain a rubric to that effect.
- 12. Examination stationery (i.e. writing paper, graph paper, drawing paper, ledger paper, precis paper etc.) will be supplied at the examination hall as and when necessary. No sheet of paper or answer book supplied to a candidate may be torn, crumbled, folded or otherwise mutilated. No papers other than those supplied to him/her by the

- Supervisor/Invigilator shall be used by candidates. All material supplied, whether used or unused, shall be left behind on the desk and not removed from the examination hall.
- 13. Every candidate shall enter his/her Index Number/Registration Number on each answer book and on every continuation paper. He/She shall also enter all necessary particulars as required.
- 14. A candidate who inserts on scripts an index Number/Registration Number other than his/her own is liable to be considered as having attempted to cheat.
- 15. A script that bears no Index Number/Registration Number, or has an Index Number /Registration Number which cannot be identified, is liable to rejected. No candidate shall write his/her name or any other identifying mark on the answer script unless otherwise authorized.
- 16. All calculations and rough work shall be done only on paper supplied for the examination, and shall be cancelled and attached to the answer script. Such work should not be done on any other material. Any candidate who disregards these instructions runs the risk of being considered as having written notes or outline of answers with the intention of copying.
- 17. Any answer or part of an answer, which is not to be considered for the purpose of assessment, shall be neatly crossed out. If the same question has been attempted in more than one place the answer or answers that are not to be considered shall be neatly crossed out.
- 18. Candidates are under the authority of the supervisor and shall assist him/her by carrying out his/her instructions and those of the Invigilator during the examination and immediately before and after it.
- 19. Every candidate shall conduct himself/herself as quietly as possible. A candidate is liable to be excluded from the examination hall for disorderly conduct.
- 20. Candidates shall stop work promptly when ordered by the Supervisor / Invigilator to do so.
- 21. Absolute silence shall be maintained in the examination hall and its precincts. A candidate is not permitted for any reason whatsoever to communicate or to have any

dealing with any person other than the Supervisor /Invigilator. The attention of the Supervisor/ invigilator shall be drawn by the candidate by raising his/her hand from where he/she is seated.

- 22. During the course of answering a question paper no candidate shall be permitted to leave the examination hall temporarily. In case of an emergency, the Supervisor /Invigilator may grant him/her permission to do so but the candidate will be under his/her surveillance.
- 23. No person shall impersonate a candidate at the examination, nor shall any candidate allow himself/herself to be impersonated by another person.
- 24. Any candidate receiving unauthorized assistance from any person shall be deemed to have committed an examination offence.
- 25. If circumstances arise which in the opinion of the supervisor render the cancellation or postponement of the examination necessary, he/she shall stop the examination, collect the scripts already written and then report the matter as soon as possible to the Dean of the relevant Faculty.
- 26. The Supervisor/Invigilator is empowered to require any candidate to make a statement in writing on any matter which may have arisen during the course of the examination and such statement shall be signed by the candidate. No candidate shall refuse to make such a statement or to sign it. If such a candidate refuses to make such a statement or refuses to sign it, the Supervisor/Invigilator shall make his own statement and report the matter to the Dean of the Faculty.
- 27. No candidate shall contact any person other than the Vice-Chancellor, Dean, Head of the Department, the Registrar or the relevant Senior Assistant Registrar regarding any matter concerning the examination.
- 28. Every candidate shall hand over the answer script personally to the Supervisor /Invigilator or remain in his/her seat until it is collected. On no account shall a candidate hand over his/ her answer script to an attendant a minor employee, or another candidate.
- 29. Every candidate who registers for a course/course unit shall be deemed to have sat the examination of that course/course unit unless he/she withdraws from the course /course unit within the prescribed period for dropping courses/course units. He/She

should submit a medical certificate in support of his/her absence, prior to the commencement of the examination. If such a document cannot be submitted before the commencement of the examination. A candidate shall inform of his/her inability to attend the examination to the Dean of the Faculty within a week after the commencement of the examination. The medical certificate shall conform to the Senate Regulations.

- 30. When a candidate is unable to present himself/herself for any part/section of an examination of a course/course unit, he/she shall notify or cause to be notified this fact to the Dean of the Faculty and relevant Senior Assistant Registrar or Assistant Registrar immediately. This should be confirmed in writing with supporting documents by registered post within two weeks.
- 31. A student will be eligible for honours if all requirements for the award of honours are met within the prescribed period for the degree. However, candidates found guilty of an examination offence shall not be eligible for honours.
- 32. No student shall sit an examination of a course/course unit, if he/she has exhausted the number of attempts that he/she is allowed to sit that particular examination, unless he/she has been granted special permission to do so by the Dean of the relevant Faculty.
- 33. Students are prohibited from carrying cellular phones during the course of written, oral or practical examinations.

### Part II - Examination Offences and Punishments

- 1. Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 6 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of possession of unauthorized documents/items and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period varying from 1-5 semesters.
- 2. Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 8 or 9 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of copying and therefore his/her candidature shall be cancelled from the examinations of that semester and he/she, shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of five semesters.

- 3. Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 10 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of having cheated at the examination and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period varying from 1 9 semesters.
- 4. Any candidate who is detected removing examination stationery and other material provided for the examination (Rule 12) shall deemed guilty of an examination offence and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be liable to be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of three semesters.
- 5. Any candidate who violates anyone or more of the rules in 7, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of disorderly conduct and his/her candidature shall be cancelled from the examinations of that semester and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of three semesters.
- 6. Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 21 shall be guilty of the offence of impersonation and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university. Impersonator/s may also be liable to any punishment under the Penal Code/Criminal Law. In the event the impersonator is found to be a graduate of this university, his/her degree shall be withdrawn.
- 7. Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 22 shall be guilty of an examination offence and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of 1- 5 semesters.
- 8. Any candidate found aiding and abetting in the commission of any of the above examination offences shall be deemed to have committed that offence and shall be punished in respect of the offence in accordance with the provisions of the relevant section.
- 9. Any other offence which is not covered in the above sections alleged to have been committed by a candidate and reported to the relevant authority by a Supervisor or Examiner shall be inquired into and appropriate action taken.

# Part III - Procedure Regarding Examination Offences Committed By Candidates

1. There shall be an Examination Disciplinary Committee of not less than 3 members of whom at least one member is from outside the Faculty, appointed for each case by the Dean of the relevant Faculty to inquire into and make recommendations (including punishments) on examination offences referred to it. Member(s) outside the Faculty shall be selected from a panel of members appointed for this purpose by the Vice Chancellor.

#### 2. Classification of Offences

Examination offences may be broadly classified as follows:

- 2.1 Possession of unauthorized documents/items
- 2.2 Copying
- 2.3 Cheating
- 2.4 Removal of stationery
- 2.5 Disorderly conduct
- 2.6 Impersonation
- 2.7 Unauthorized assistance
- 2.8 Aiding and abetting in the commission of above offences
- 2.9 Other offences
- 3. Punishments

(As specified in Part 11, Section 1 to 9)

- 4. Procedure
- 4.1. In all cases of violation of examination rules detected, the Supervisor shall take action as outlined below and forward his/her report to the relevant Dean/Senior Assistant Registrar or Assistant Registrar.
- 4.2. In case of disorderly conduct, the Supervisor shall in the first instance warn the candidate to be of good behavior. Disorderly conduct shall be considered grave, only if such conduct in the opinion of the Supervisor is considered as causing a disturbance in the conduct of the examination. Where the candidate persists in unruly or disorderly conduct the supervisor may exclude the candidate from the examination hall and issue

him a letter with a copy to the relevant Dean/Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar, cancelling his/her candidature from the examination.

- 4.3. In all cases of examination offences detected, the Supervisor shall send a report to the relevant Dean along with any material taken into custody. Material taken into custody should be authenticated by placing the signatures of the candidate and the Supervisor / Invigilator and the date, time and place of detection. A Supervisor should give of any incriminating material of which he/she cannot take possession. The Supervisor's report should be countersigned by one of the Invigilators.
- 4.4. The Dean after preliminary inquiry shall place all reports of examination offences submitted by Supervisors for action of the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.
- 4.5. Supervisor, Examiner, Head of Department or any other official of the University who detects an examination offence shall report the matter in writing to the relevant Dean, who shall after preliminary inquiry submit his findings to the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.
- 4.6. Any allegations regarding the commission of examination offences from whomsoever received shall be submitted by the Dean after preliminary inquiry to the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.

## 5. The Decision

The punishment recommended by the Examination Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the relevant Faculty Board for a decision and the decision will be reported to the Senate.

Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar of the relevant Faculty shall be the Convener/Secretary of the inquiring committee on examination offences.

## 6. Appeals Board

There shall be an Appeals Board, consisting of three members, appointed by the Vice Chancellor to consider appeals regarding the decision referred to in 5.1 above. Any student on whom a punishment has been imposed may, within a period of two weeks from the date of communication to him/her of such punishment, appeal against such punishment to the Vice Chancellor.

# Scholarships, Prizes and Medals

The following Scholarships, Prizes and Medals are available to undergraduate students reading for the BVSc degree. They shall be awarded by the Senate on the recommendation of the Board of Examiners for the First, Second, Third and Final examinations in Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science.

# Scholarships

- 1) The Astron Scholorship for two final year students who have obtained the overall highest average marks at the first, second and third BVSc Examinations
- 2) University Scholarship for best performance based on the cumulative average at the end of the second semester exam in the first year

#### **Prizes**

- 1) G.E. Kodituwakku Prize for excellence in Veterinary Surgery Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Surgery.
- 2) S.T. Fernando Memorial Prize for excellence in Veterinary Parasitology -Awarded for the student with best performance in Veterinary Parasitology in the Second BVSc examination.
- 3) University Prize for Academic Excellence Awarded to the students who obtain a First Class pass at BVSc degree.

## Gold Medals

- M.P. Seneviratne Gold Medal for Veterinary Parasitology Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Parasitology in the Second BVSc examination.
- 2) Dewansa Seneviratne Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Public Health Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Public Health in the Third BVSc examination.
- 3) The Arunachalam Chinniah Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Science Awarded to the student with the best performance in the BVSc degree.
- 4) S.T. Fernando Memorial Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science Awarded to the best student of the all examinations conducted by the faculty.
- 5) S.T. Fernando Memorial Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Medicine Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Medicine in the Final BVSc examination.

- 6) Anand Kumari Sikka Memorial Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Reproduction and Obstetrics Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Reproduction and Obstetrics in the Final BVSc examination.
- 7) Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Pathology Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Pathology and in all other examinations.
- 8) Sivalingam Mahalingam Gold Medal for excellence in Veterinary Microbiology -Awarded to the student with best performance in Veterinary Microbiology in the second BVSc examination
- 9) The Peradeniya University Gold Medal Awarded to the student with best performance in academic and extracurricular activities. (most outstanding student of the Faculty).

## Other Certificates

- 1. Dean's list Top five students with highest totals marks at each semester will be included in the Dean's list
- 2. Faculty awards for the five outstanding students from each batch of the BVSc Programme

# Legal Requirements for Practice

A veterinary graduate must be registered as a Veterinary Surgeon under the Veterinary Surgeons and Practitioners Act. No. 46 of 1956, before he/she can practice Veterinary Science in Sri Lanka. An application for registration, including a registration fee, should be made to the Registrar, Veterinary Council of Sri Lanka, immediately after graduation.

## Qualifications for Registration

Veterinary graduates qualified from the University of Peradeniya and intend to apply to the Veterinary Council for registration as a veterinary surgeon shall submit the duly completed application form, two passport size photographs (6.0 cm X 4.0 cm) duly certified by a Justice of Peace (on the reverse) and the following original documents together with a photocopy of each such document to the Registrar of the Council:

- a) Birth certificate of the applicant.
- b) A character certificate issued by a senior academic staff member (Senior Lecturer and above) of the Faculty from which he/she graduated or from a person acceptable to the Council.
- c) Degree / Provisional Degree certificate issued by the University.

On receipt of the above, the Council at its discretion shall provisionally register the applicant as a veterinary surgeon for a period of six months. During this period, the applicant shall undergo a six months' internship training conducted jointly by the Veterinary Council and the Department of Animal Production and Health. The Council shall, upon being satisfied that the applicant has successfully completed the internship, and having applied to the Council for registration and paid the prescribed fee, register the applicant as a veterinary surgeon and issue a certificate to that effect.

## **Facilities and Amenities**

# Library facility

The library facility of the University of Peradeniya consists of a library network comprising of the Main Library and seven other branch libraries, namely Agriculture, Science, Medical, Engineering, Vet Medicine, Allied Health Science, and Dental faculty libraries. The ninth library is attached to the Faculty of Agriculture in MahaIluppallama sub-campus. The Main Library is located between and adjacent to the Senate building and the main Arts building. The Peradeniya University Library Network is the oldest and the largest university library in Sri Lanka.

Contact Information: Main Library Senate Building

Phone: Counter I, Ground Floor) - 0812392475

Counter II, First Floor - 0812392480

Short -Term Reference Counter - 0812392481

Web : http://www.lib.pdn.ac.lk.

Opening hours : 7.15 am to 6.30 pm (Weekdays)

8.00 am to 4.15 pm (Saturdays)

(Opening Hours may change during examination periods)

# Veterinary Medical Library (VML)

Veterinary Medical Library (VML) is one of the 7 branch libraries managed by the Library of the Peradeniya University. It offers lending and reference facilities in all subjects related to the BVSc programme. It provides seating capacity for approximately 100 students and carries a collection of approximately 5500 volumes of text books and wide spectrum of other forms of printed material. In addition, the VML provides facilities for the use of electronic information, both World Wide Web-based and computer-based learning material including a collection of educational videos and CDs. The VML located at the Old Galaha road within the premises of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, on the top floor of the Administrative Building.

Contact Information: Vet Medical Library Administrative Building

Phone: Counter - 0812395885 / Librarian - 0812395883

Senior Assistant Librarian

Mrs. Sureni Weerasinghe BSc(Hon)(MLS)

Web : http://www.lib.pdn.ac.lk/libraries/vet/

Opening hours : 7.15 am to 6.00 pm (Weekdays)

8.00 am to 4.15 pm (Saturdays)

#### Health centre

The University Health Service provides medical care to the university community of students, staff and the immediate family members of staff. The Health Centre, which has facilities for inpatient treatment, is opened for outpatient services from 8:00 AM to Noon and from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM on working days, and from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM during weekends. An emergency service supported by two ambulances is available during all hours.

Students and members of the staff are required to register at the Health Centre by paying a small registration fee before seeking treatment. Patients who need specialized treatment are referred to consultant specialists of the Teaching Hospital at Peradeniya, the Kandy General Hospital, and the Peradeniya University Dental School. If necessary, the Health Centre's ambulances transport patients to these hospitals. Medical examinations of students and of new recruits to the staff are done at the Health Centre.

Among other services provided by the Health Centre are preventive health services, health education, and environmental health, which includes the monitoring of water and food supplies to the university.

The services provided by the centre include,

# • An Out-Patient Department (OPD)

The OPD is open from 8.30 am to 12.30 pm and 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm during week days, and from 9.00 am to 11.00 am on weekends. However, emergency cases are attended to throughout the day and night.

# • A 24-hour treatment facility

Patients who need treatment are admitted to the male and female wards at any time of the day or night. Two isolation wards are available to treat students with infectious diseases (Mumps, Chicken Pox etc.). A well-equipped laboratory is available to carry out investigations required by the university medical officers.

# A pharmacy

It issues medicines for the prescriptions by the university medical officers.

#### A 24-hour ambulance service

This service may be obtained at the request made through the warden, sub warden, dean or assistant registrar.

## • Immunizations

Immunization programs are carried out for Hepatitis B vaccine (for Dental, Allied Health & Medical students) and Anti Rabies and Tetanus toxoid vaccines are administered to Veterinary students when necessary. The H1N1 and the Rubella vaccines are given only when there is an epidemic under the guidance of the Epidemiologist.

# • Psychological Counseling

Stress, anxiety and various psychosomatic illnesses are not uncommon amongst the university community and the university medical officers have received specialized training in psychological counseling to help/treat members of the university community, on such conditions.

#### • Preventive health care

This is given great emphasis. Public Health Inspectors and a work force of trained personnel provide these services under the supervision of the Chief Medical Officer (CMO). Their responsibilities include monitoring food hygiene, ensuring purity of drinking water, maintenance of the university sewerage, garbage disposal, environmental sanitation and pest control.

**Location:** At the furthest end of the road running alongside and behind the Sangamitta Hall of Residence.

## Contact information:

Chief Medical Officer : Dr. P.M.A Samarakkody

Phone : 081-238-8152

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Office/Lab - 0812392028

Female Wards/Pharmacy - 0812392022/26

Opening Hours: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm including Saturdays

(OPD)

#### Marshals Unit

Marshals Unit consists of a Chief Marshal and five Marshals. The main function of the Marshals division is to maintain discipline of students by keeping vigilance on their activities and behavior at the Faculties, Centres, Gymnasium, Playground and Halls of residence under the direction of the Deputy Vice Chancellor.

#### Contact Information:

Phone : 081-239-2423 (Direct)

Mr. W.A.A. Werahera	- Chief Marshal	077-5996290
Mr. R. Gajaweera	- Marshal	071-4395666
Mr. D.M.R.S. Dassanay	071-1601047	
Mr. M. Abeywickrama	- Marshal	071-8314604
Mr. H.M.C.S.P. Wanni	arachchi - Marshal	071-8293887
Ms. S.M.D.N.K. Senavi	rathna - Marshal	071-1475607

# Security office

The Security office of University of Peradeniya is a permanent service comprising of a Chief Security Officer, Deputy Chief Security Officer, Security Inspector and Security Guards.

The main duty of the security office is to provide security to the entire University Premises. Students may contact the security office or security guards in case of emergency and lodging complains.

## Contact Information:

Phone : Security Officer - 081-2389182 /- 081-2392133

Chief Security Officer - 081-2392134

Deputy Chief Security Officer - 081-2392240

Opening Hours: Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

# Information Technology Centre (IT Centre)

The Information Technology Centre (IT Centre) is located behind the WUS Building Complex, near the Gymnasium. It provides opportunities for undergraduates of the University to improve their ICT skills by offering part time and other regular training programs.

Services and Facilities: Computer facilities with internet access. Students need to register and obtain their account passwords prior to using the facilities in the centre.

Contact Information:

Phone : Reception Counter - 081-2392909

Office - 081-2392070/2900/2906 Opening Hours : 8.00 am to 5.00 pm



# **Sports and Recreation**

## The Department of Physical Education / Gymnasium

The Department of Physical Education offers a range of services to students by providing facilities for both indoor and outdoor games. The location of the Department of Physical Education is in close proximity to the Information Technology Centre.

Services and Facilities: Indoor sport facilities, swimming pool, fitness centre; organizes
Faculty, University and Inter-University level sports Tournaments.

Contact Information:

Phone : Mr. Palitha Kumara/ Director - 081-2392164

Office - 081-2392162

Swimming Pool - 081-2392163

Opening Hours : 7.00 am to 8.00 pm

The University possesses a fully equipped Gymnasium.

Students may use the Gymnasium on

Weekdays : from 9 a.m to 11 a.m

from 4 p.m to 7 p.m

Saturdays : from 3 p.m to 6 p.m





## **Clubs and Societies**

Student activities both the faculty level and university level play a major role in student life at the University. Most student activities are organized through student societies. Some of these activities include seminars, workshops, fieldwork and exhibitions, held throughout the year. Some societies expect their members to pay a nominal membership fee either annually or monthly.



# Cultural, Drama, Music and Recreational Societies

- Arts Council
- Tamil Society
- English Drama Society
- Film Society
- Gandarwa Sabhawa
- Sinhala Natya Mandalaya
- Sinhala Sangamaya

- Tamil Sangeetha Natya Sangam
- Soba Sansadaya



The university comprises a multi-religious population of Buddhist, Catholic, Christian, Hindu and Islamic people. A Buddhist Temple, a Roman Catholic Church, a Christian Church, a Hindu Kovil and a Mosque are located within the university campus to ensure freedom and facilities to practice any religious faith within the university.

There are five registered religious societies in the university which organize religious activities. These societies are as follows:

- Buddhist Brotherhood
- Students Meditation Society (Sinhala Bhavana Samajaya)
- Newman Society (For Roman Catholics)
- Student Christian Movement
- Hindu Society
- University Muslim Majlis



## Other Societies

- Computer Society
- Explorers' Club
- Hanthana Conservation Society
- Sports Council
- Veterinary Wildlife and Photography Society
- Veterinary Anatomical Society

## Accommodation

The University of Peradeniya was originally planned as an entirely residential facility. Due to the increased intake of students in recent years, residential facilities could not be provided to all the students. However, a majority of students and a limited number of staff are provided residential facilities.

The University has 16 halls of residence for students and 4 Bhikku hostels. In addition, accommodation is available at the Agriculture sub-campus at Mahailluppallama (130 km north of Peradeniya) for first year agriculture students following the practical classes. Part time wardens from among the academic staff are appointed in charge of the organization and maintenance of discipline in the halls of residence. They are assisted by permanent wardens and part time academic sub-wardens. The halls of residence consist of study bedrooms which are shared by 2 or 3 students. An attempt is made to accommodate students of different faculties in the same halls of residence. A nominal fee is charged for the room and an additional fee per month is levied on students who use personal electrical appliances such as irons, radios etc. Meals are available in hall canteens where food is provided at prices fixed by the university.

## Halls of Residence

Hostel facilities for Male undergraduates

Hostel facilities for Female undergraduates

Name of the Hall	Telephone	Name of the Hall	Telephone
Arunachalam Hall	081-2392122	Hilda Obesekara Hall	081-2392124
Akbar-Nell Hall	081-2392123	Ramanathan Hall	081-2392129
Bhikku Hostel-Lake house Hall	081-2392033	Sangamitta Hall	081-2392038
Bhikku Hostel-Kehelpannala Hall	081-2392031	Wijayawardhana Hall	081-2392131
Hindagala Hall	081-2392089		
James Peiris Hall	081-2392125		
Jayathilake Hall	081-2392126		
New Akbar Hall	081-2392105		
Marcus Fernando Hall	081-2392128		
Marrs Hall	081-2392127		
Sarasavi Uyana Hall	081-2392188		
Sir Ivor Jennings Hall	081-2392130		

## Other Amenities

## Food and other Commodities

University students can buy food at special rates within the University premises. Special rates apply to rice and curry and other food items prepared in university canteens. These prices are approximately 50% lower than the consumer prices in Sri Lanka. Each faculty and hall of residence has one or more canteens which cater to the needs of students. Commodities are available at the two university co-operative shops which are conveniently located on the Campus. These cater to the general needs of the entire University community. Dairy products, meat and vegetables are available at special prices at the sales outlet of the Department of Animal Science which is located opposite the Faculty of Veterinary Science. Students can also purchase variety of food items and day to day requirements from places such as "Hela Bojun" food stall located in front of the Faculty of Agriculture, Super Markets, Shopping complexes and sales outlets situated in close proximity to the University premises. The town of Peradeniya (1 km away) and the city of Kandy (5 km away) are the main shopping centers.

The following are the food outlets within the premises of the University. Residential students may also purchase their meals from the canteens in their Halls of Residence at subsidized rates.

Name	Location
Faculty canteen	Near Department of Farm Animal Production
	and Health Building at the faculty
Milk Bar (Sarasavi Kiri Hala)	Faculty of Agriculture
World University Service canteen	WUS Building
Milk Bar (Sarasavi Kiri Hala)	Behind the Kannangara building at the New
	Arts Theatre
Veterinary Teaching Farm Sales outlet	FAPH/VPHP buildings at the faculty
Hela Bojun food stall	In front of Faculty of Agriculture

#### Student common room

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science has a Students' common room with many facilities for the daily use of Students. It is also the venue for many of the students' social gatherings.

Location First Floor, Canteen Building

Opening Hours 7.00 am to 7.00 pm

#### Career Guidance Unit

Services and Facilities Provide advice to students on employment after graduation,

organizes workshops and training sessions on skills development

Location Inside the WUS Building overlooking the WUS Canteen

Phone 081-2392013 Prof. DAN Dharmasena / Director)

**Post Office -** The University has a small post office located in the premises of the Faculty of Arts. This office provides basic postal and telegraphic services between 8:00 AM. and 4:00 PM during week days. The delivery of mail to the university, however, is undertaken by the Peradeniya Main Post Office on old Galaha Road. Residential students can receive their mail at their halls of residence. Mail is delivered from Monday to Saturday around 7:00 AM.

**Banking Facilities -** The two state owned banks, Bank of Ceylon and Peoples' Bank, have branches in the university. Both are housed in the ground floor of the Senate Building, adjoining the Faculty of Arts. Bank of Ceylon also has an ATM facility located in the premises.

The Student Centre - The Student Centre houses a bookshop, a cooperative sales outlet, and a hair dressing salon. Most grocery items are available in this cooperative sales outlet. There is a bigger cooperative shop with a wider variety of grocery and food items located in the eastern end of the campus on the way to Rajawatte. Many canteens in the halls of residence have items such as toiletry, stationery, tea, and milk powder.

The University internal telephone system provides telephone services to all offices. The intercom is a free service, but it cannot access lines outside the university. There are pay telephones, either coin or card operated, located in many places in the university.

Bookshop	WUS Building
Photocopy Centre	In the Faculty Library
Photocopy Centre	University Welfare Building
Photocopy Centre	WUS Building
Photocopy Centre	Near Food Science Department- Faculty of Agiriculture
Post Office	WUS Building
Unisex Saloon	WUS Building
Unisex Tailor Shop	WUS Building
Laundry	Near to the Security Office, Ground Floor
Buddhist Temple	Above the Vice Chancellor's Lodge
Catholic Chaplaincy	Near Ramanadan Hall
NCC Church (Galpalliya)	Uda Peradeniya Road
Hindu Kovil	Uda Peradeniya Road
Muslim Mosque	Uda Peradeniya Road

## Useful Information

# Registration for Academic year

Students are required to register for respective courses within the first two weeks of each academic year. The Procedure is given below.

The Office of the Dean announces dates for the registration and the students should register using the form available at the Office of the Dean.

The registration fee should be deposited to the bank account in the paying voucher issued by the Bank or Student Services Division at the Senate building.

Duly completed forms together with the bank slip should be handed over to the Students Services Division of the Office of the Dean at the time of registration.

Registration fees are as follows;

Fees:

Renewal fee	= Rs. 400.00
Sports Facilities Fee	= Rs. 200.00
Peradeniya Students Union.	= Rs. 50.00
Arts Council	= Rs. 120.00
Hall Facilities	= Rs. 30.00
Medical Fee	= Rs. 200.00
Total	= Rs. 1000.00

You should submit your Registration Renewal form with the Receipt of payment and Record Book.

Relevant Forms are available in the Faculty Web Site and can be downloaded.

## Re-Admissions

## Policy decisions regarding requests for re-admissions

- 1. If a student is compelled to discontinue his course of study while pursuing his study at the University, such a student should notify the Dean of the Faculty and the Registrar/ within one month of such discontinuation and obtain permission of the admissions committee to be away from the University.
- 2. If any student wishes to get his registration postponed at the time of registration he/she shall inform the University giving reasons for such postponement and obtain permission from the University.
- 3. When the above requests are granted, period of absence from the University of such a student shall not exceed more than one year except on approved medical grounds. A request granted on medical grounds shall not exceed two years. However, his/her re-

- admission shall be subject to the availability of places in the relevant Faculty at the time of re-admission. If a student fails to have his/her registration renewed at the beginning within the period specified by the Faculty of each academic year as required, his/her name would be deleted from the class list of the Faculty and informed accordingly.
- 4. When registration of a student is cancelled, he/she will be informed of such cancellation.

# Policy decisions on leave of absence for registered students, deferment of registration and readmission

- It is mandatory for all fulltime students of the University to register for their academic programmes and attend regularly to the prescribed work of their academic programme without discontinuity, to the satisfaction of the Dean of the Faculty, barring compelling circumstances.
- 2. Whenever a student fails or is unable to attend an academic programme for over one month, the student or his/her parent/guardian should inform as soon as such inability is recognized this to the Dean of the Faculty concerned. However, within 2 weeks of such notice, the student should ensure to send a written communiqué to this effect to the Dean or the Assistant Registrar of the Faculty. Registered students who fail to do so will be considered to have abandoned their academic programmes and their requests for re-admission will not be entertained.
- 3. If any student wishes to get his/her registration deferred at the time of registration, he/she shall inform the University giving reasons for such deferment and obtain permission from the University. The University may not grant permission if the reasons given are not acceptable.
- 4. When the above requests (2), +(3) are granted, the period of deferment/leave shall not exceed one academic year except on approved medical grounds. The period of deferment/ leave granted on medical grounds shall not exceed two academic years. The period of deferment/ leave granted by the admissions committee will be exempted from the maximum duration allowed for an academic programme. Such leave should have prior approval.
- 5. If a student fails to have his/her registration renewed within the period specified by the Faculty at the beginning of each academic year, his/her studentship will be cancelled.
- 6. When the registration of a student is cancelled, he/she shall be informed of such cancellation in writing.

# Procedure approved by the University of Peradeniya for the acceptance of Medical Certificates submitted by students for work and examinations

- Students are requested to support the absence from course work or examination due to illness by a valid medical certificate conforming to the format of a medical certificate issued by a government hospital. Such medical certificates should be obtained from the following persons;
  - University Medical Officer (UMO)
  - District Medical Officer
  - Consultant Specialist in the particular field
  - Head of a Government Base Hospital
  - Medical Superintendent of a Provincial Ayurvedic Government Hospital
  - Ayurvedic Physician registered in the Council

Under exceptional circumstances, medical certificates issued by private hospitals or registered private practitioners could be considered by the University Medical Board.

2. Students who fall ill during sessions or examination time should contact the University Medical Officer at the University Health Centre immediately.

If a student falls sick at home or elsewhere during sessions or examination time he/she or his/her guardian should inform the Dean of the respective Faculty within seven (7) days by telegram/fax/e-mail followed by a letter indicating the nature of the illness and the name of the attending doctor etc. Medical certificate supporting the illness of the student also should be sent to the Dean.

Under exceptional circumstances if a student was not able to meet the deadline mentioned above, he/she could send his/her appeal to the relevant Faculty Board

The Dean on receipt of such medical certificate/s should follow the following procedure:

- I. In case of Western Medical Certificates submitted by students to cover absence from course work or examination:
  - a. The medical certificate should be referred to the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the University for his/her observations and recommendations.
  - b. The CMO in turn examines the certificate and if he/she wishes could summon the student for examination and thereafter send his/her observations, recommendations to the Dean.

- c. In cases where the CMO wishes to convene the Western Medical Board he/she may make arrangements to convene the Western Medical Board and refer the recommendations of the Board to the Dean.
- d. The Dean on receipt of such recommendations from the CMO or Western Medical Board should send it to the Faculty Board for ratification.
- II. In the case of Ayurvedic Medical Certificates submitted by students to cover absence from course work or examinations the following procedure should be followed:
  - a. Ayurvedic medical certificates submitted by student in respect of absence from examinations or course work should be circulated among the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board for their observations by the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration of each Faculty in consultation with the Deans of the respective Faculties.
  - b. Each member of the Ayurvedic Medical Board may send his/her observations and recommendations on the face of the medical certificate to the Dean of the respective Faculty through the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar of the Faculty.
  - c. In case where the opinion of the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board vary the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar of the Faculty in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty may take steps to convene a meeting of the Ayurvedic Medical Board
  - d. If the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board think that the medical certificates should be examined at a meeting of the Board, the Dean of the Faculty should be informed accordingly.
  - e. If the members wish to examine students concerned, they could be summoned before the Medical Board through the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar of the Faculty.
  - f. The recommendation of the Ayurvedic Medical Board should be sent to the Faculty Board through the Dean of the Faculty for ratification.
  - g. The original copies of the Ayurvedic Medical Certificate submitted by students should be kept in the files of the students concerned and copies of such certificates should be sent to the Chief Medical Officer for purposes of record.
- 3. There shall be two Medical Boards in the University, viz. Western Medical Board and Ayurvedic Medical Board.

## 1. Western Medical Board

Terms of Reference

- a. The Western Medical Board shall consider cases where the Chief Medical Officer of the University has doubt about the validity of the grounds (including medical certificate) upon which the request of students to be excused for absence from course work or examinations.
- b. The Chief Medical Officer of the University shall convene the Western Medical Board if and when necessary.
- c. The Board has the right to call students before the Board when necessary for purposes of interview, examination and investigations.
- d. Recommendations of the Medical Board should be sent to the Faculty Board through the Dean of the respective Faculty,
- e. The Western Medical Board should consist of the Heads of the Departments of Medicine, Surgery and Psychiatry of the Faculty of Medicine or their nominees and the CMO of the University.

## 2. Ayurvedic Medical Board

## Composition

The Ayurvedic Medical Board shall consist of three (3) persons appointed by the senate of the University.

## Terms of Reference

- a. The Ayurvedic Medical Board shall consider Ayurvedic Medical Certificates submitted by students requesting exemption from examinations or course work and make recommendations to the Senate through the Deans of the respective Faculties.
- b. The Board shall meet at least once within a semester. The Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration in consultation with the Dean of the respective Faculty shall convene meetings of the Ayurvedic Medical Board whenever necessary and co- ordinate the work between the Faculty and the Ayurvedic Medical Board.
- c. The board has the right to call students before the Board when necessary for purposes of interviews, examination and investigations. Such requests should be sent to the students through the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration of each Faculty.

## Guidelines for the Functioning of the Ayurvedic Medical Board

- a. When accepting Ayurvedic Medical Certificates, caution is to be exercised by accepting from only those who are registered in the Ayurvedic Medical Council.
- b. General or Special registered Ayurvedic Medical Practitioners could recommend on anyone occasion leave up to 14 days at a stretch. Those with more than the above amount should get an endorsement from the Medical Officer in charge of the closest Government Ayurvedic Hospital or Government Ayurvedic Dispensary.
- c. The decision on leave stipulated in Medical Certificates from Ayurvedic Hospitals, Government Dispensaries or Local Government Ayurvedic Dispensaries rests with the Board.
- d. This Board possesses the right to question the validity of any Ayurvedic Medical Certificate.
- e. The Board possesses the right to summon before them any student submitting an Ayurvedic Medical Certificate, if necessary.
- 4. When students request exemption from examinations or course work upon the basis of illness, the ultimate decision on question of exemption, repetition of course and of eligibility for honours, shall be the functions of the relevant Faculty Board upon the recommendation of the Medical Board or the Chief Medical Officer.

# **Bursaries and Scholarships**

# Bursaries & Scholarship for students who need financial assistance

## Mahapola Scholarships

Veterinary Students can apply for Mahapola Scholarships awarded by the Mahapola Scholarship Trust Fund. The Mahapola Trust Fund offers two categories of scholarships.

Mahapola Higher Education Merit Scholarship awarded on the basis of merit. The selection for the Scholarship is based on the GCE Advanced Level Examination.

Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship are awarded to needy students with financial difficulties in the form of bursaries.

## University Bursaries

Veterinary Students who need financial assistance can apply for these bursaries of Rs. 10,000/- or Rs. 9,000/- per year. This will be granted in ten installments depending on the degree of financial need.

## University Grants Commission Bursaries for Needy Students

Students can also apply to the UGC for these bursaries.

# Conditions of the Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund

- 1. Monthly Scholarship installments will be paid based on the recommendations by the relevant University on the progress made by the scholarship recipient on studies for which the scholarship was awarded.
  - Scholarship installments will be paid up to a maximum of 10 installments per academic year, for the full duration of the study course on University. Only 9 Installments will be paid for the students of Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technical Education.
  - ii. Students should be engaged in full time studies to be entitled to the Scholarship payments and no payments will be made for those who do not participate in full time studies.
  - iii. The Scholarship installments will be paid at the University/ Institute to which the student is attached and only one Scholarship installment per month will be released for payment.
  - iv. Scholarship installments should be collected regularly and uncollected installments will be treated as unneeded and abandoned installments. Such installments will not be re-paid unless under exceptional circumstances.

- v. After acceptance of this scholarship, the student will not be entitled to receive any other scholarship or bursary connected with this same course of study of any other course of study. In case the students become eligible for another such scholarship he/she will have the option either to retain the former scholarship only or to have the former scholarship cancelled and commence to receive payments under the new scholarship. In either case the student should notify this office immediately.
- 2. Following another course of study in lieu of the study course for which this scholarship has been awarded, non-participation in studies, prolonged absence form studies, failure at yearly examinations, abandonment of the study course, etc. will result in the cancellation of your scholarship.
  - I. Non-participation in lectures, tutorial classes and practical's connected with the study course, followed by reports to that effect by the University could also result in the suspension or cancellation of the scholarship. Guilty on act of misconduct scholarship will be cancelled.
  - II. If the student engages himself in business or employment during his studies or if there is an increase in income levels during that period, these factors too will result in the discontinuance of the scholarship payment.
- 3. In the event of a student obtaining permission for postponement of his/her studies, on unavoidable and uncontrollable circumstances he/she should produce the relevant letter of authority to the Mahapola Scholarship Trust Fund and state whether he/she proposes to secure the scholarship next year. Such request will be entertained upto a maximum of one year's postponement of the Scholarship. Even in a case of postponement of studies, the student should accept the award at the first award ceremony to be entitled to the Scholarship.
- 4. If the study course in the University is later changed. Such a student is found eligible for a Mahapola Scholarship under the new study course, based on the marks scored, he/she will then be awarded a new Scholarship, based on the recommendation of the University Grants Commission. In such case, the student should notify this office immediately about the change in the study course.
- 5. The decision of the Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund on matters relating to the Scholarship, as well as to Scholarship payments, will be treated final.

# **Student Counseling Services**

# Student Counseling Service

The University maintains a student counseling service to assist students who require guidance pertaining to academic, social or personal matters. The Unit is located in the Student Services Centre and is headed by a Director of Student Counseling. Services are offered by senior members of the academic staff. This service is used by many students and is completely confidential in nature.

This may be the first time you are away from home. It's natural to be worried when you are in an unfamiliar environment facing new experiences.

You are not alone! Talking about your fears and anxieties will give relief. A student counsellor has been appointed by the FVMAS to address such concerns. The counsellor. may be contacted through the office of the Student Counsellor. The five academic staff members who are Senior Student Counsellors are also available to assist students.

## **Academic Mentors**

An academic mentor will guide students throughout the undergraduate period to achieve their highest potential. They not only help students overcome any difficulties they face but also guide the high achievers to reach their goals. During the orientation period, a small group of students will be allocated to one academic staff member who will be the Academic Mentor throughout the undergraduate period. Academic mentoring offers students the opportunity to discuss specific academic concerns with an academic staff member, at a personal and individual level. They may offer suggestions on strategies to improve academic performance or address other issues interfering with academic performance. This opportunity may be used not only to discuss academic performance but also to discuss any other problems encountered. Academic mentors will also direct students to relevant people who may provide further assistance. It is important that students meet the mentor at least once a semester

# Important information for students

Each new student who joins the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine & Animal Science would come under the care of a mentor in the staff, to whom the student could request for any assistance. Students are required to find out the relevant mentor from the list displayed in the Faculty premises.

"Ragging" is totally banned and is illegal in the University. If a student is harassed by any student the incident should be brought to the notice of the Dean or Deputy Proctor or Student Counsellors or any other academic staff member in the Faculty. New students do not have to

obey the senior students or do anything against their wish. Please be informed that ragging is a punishable offence under the penal code and may result in imprisonment.

# Student identity card & record books

- The Faculty issue an identity card and a record book for all registered students.
- The University identity card is issued by the student registration branch of the University.

# In case of loss of the faculty identity card

- When an identity card is misplaced or lost, the bearer should inform the Dean of the Faculty through the relevant Head of the Department.
- The Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences will issue a new Identity card on the recommendation of the Dean.

# In case of loss of the University identity card

- Forward a request letter describing the issue related to losing the Identity card to Dean through the relevant Head of the Department.
- Make a complaint at the nearest police station along with the studentship letter issued by the Dean and obtain a police report.
- Make a complaint to University Security Division and obtain a report.
- Make a payment of Rs. 1000 to the University Shroff counter.
- Handover student request to obtain a new identity card to the student registration branch along with the above reports, studentship letter and paying voucher.

#### In case of loss of the Student Record Book

Forward a request letter to the Dean through the relevant Head of the Department.

Make a complaint to the nearest police station along with the studentship letter issued by the Dean of the Faculty.

Make a complaint to the University Security Division.

Pay Rs. 100 to the University Shroff Counter

Handover all of the above reports along with the paying voucher to the Faculty Student Services Branch.

## Student Requests

- Students are allowed to make inquiries, complaints or any other requests that directly affect their student life at the University to the Dean of the Faculty.
- Student shall forward their requests through Student Counsellors or Mentors and relevant Head of the Department to the Dean of the Faculty.

# **Veterinary Students Oath**

"As a Veterinary student, I promise to pursue my education diligently to develop my scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit of the society through the protection of animal health, the relief of pain & suffering, the conservation of animal resources, the promotion of public Health, and the advancement of Veterinary medical knowledge.

I will conduct myself with dignity and professionalism, in keeping with veterinary medical ethics. I will learn to practice veterinary medicine as a profession- and not as a trade. I promise to put the interest of the patients under my care before my own, to treat with empathy, compassion and respect. I will always maintain proper etiquette, be punctual, respect staff and co-workers and follow the rules and regulations of the University. I will always lend a hand to those in need, will tolerate views of others and maintain a healthy learning atmosphere within the Faculty.

I will continue- to improve my professional knowledge and competence, and will always strive to be worthy of the privilege of being a doctor."



# **Faculty Website**

# Website Address- vet.pdn.ac.lk



# Faculty e- Learning System - Moodle

How to access

Click on e-learning on the faculty website homepage or type vetmoodle.pdn.ac.lk



## THE UNIVERSITIES ACT NO.16 OF 1978

By – laws made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under section 29(n) read with Section 135(1) (d) of the Universities Act N.16 of 1978

#### **BY-LAWS**

#### PART 1 – GENERAL

- These By laws may be cited in the "By laws No. 01 of 1996, relating to Students
  Discipline" and shall come into operation on 26 th October 1996. These By laws
  supersede any other By laws or Regulation that may have been issued to students
  earlier.
- 2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the provisions of these By laws, the Vice-chancellor shall take appropriate action he deems necessary to maintain discipline at the university and nothing in these By-laws shall be conferred in a manner to detract from the powers, duties and functions conferred or imposed upon the vice-Chancellor by the Universities Act No.16 of 1978 [hereinafter referred to as the "Act"] or by any other Instrument.

3.

- 1. Upon the coming into operation of these By-laws, there shall be established a Board of Discipline [hereinafter referred to as the "Board"] constituted as provided in Sub-paragraph
- 2. The Board of Discipline shall consist of the following Members, who shall hold office for a period of 03 (three) years with effect from the date of appointment.
  - I. The Dean of each Faculty.
  - II. A Proctor, if any, or a Deputy Proctor nominated by the Proctor.
  - III. Two Wardens nominated by Vice-Chancellor.
  - IV. Two members of the Council nominated by the Council, from among its appointed members.
  - V. Two Senior Students Counselors nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.
- 3. The Registrar or his nominee shall be the ex-office Secretary of the Board.
- 4. The Chairman of the Board shall be elected by the members from among the Dean and he shall preside at all meeting of the Board. If the Chairman is unable to reside at a meeting the members shall elect any Dean to preside at such meeting.
- 5. The Chairman shall hold office for a period of one year reckoned from the date of his election so long as he retains the status of membership by virtue of which he was eligible for re-election.

- 6. The quorum for the meeting of the Board shall be seven members.
- 4. Subject to the provisions of the Act, and of any other appropriate instrument, the Board shall have the following powers, duties and functions.
  - I. To regulate and determine all matters concerning the maintenance of students discipline within the University;
  - II. To make Rules pertaining to student discipline within the University;
  - III. To hold inquiries or cause inquiries to be held pertaining to allegations of indiscipline or misconduct on the part of any student or students of the University;
  - IV. The Vice-Chancellor may appoint a Committee of Inquiry to inquire into an incident where he thinks is appropriate in the circumstances and the Board of Discipline shall consider such reports made by such committee and recommend appropriate action.
  - V. To impose appropriate penalties or punishments, on may student or students who have been found guilty of any act of indiscipline or misconduct or who have been found guilty of an offence under these By-laws or, of acting in contravention of the provisions of these By-laws or the Rules made by the Board;
  - VI. To do such other acts incidental to the powers aforesaid, as may be required in order to further the objectives of these By-laws.

## PART II

5. Without prejudice to the generality of the powers duties and functions conferred upon or imposed in the Council by the Act or any other Instrument, the Council shall be responsible for the administration and implementation of these By-laws.

6.

I. These By-laws shall apply to every Registered Student of the University of Peradeniya [hereinafter referred to as the "University"]

II.

- a. For the purpose of these By-laws "Registered Student of the University who had already been duly admitted and registered at the University, for any academic year or any student who is duly admitted and registered from time to time in respect of any academic year, or other period of study.
- b. "Academic Year" for the purpose of these By-laws shall be construed to mean the academic year as decided by the Senate from time to time.

- a. Every student of the University shall be of good behavior and shall at all times conduct himself in an orderly manner befitting the status of an undergraduate or graduate student.
- b. Students of the University shall at all times Endeavour to safeguard the dignity, good name and reputation of the University.
- 7. Students are admitted and registered as undergraduates or graduate students of the University, subject to their good behavior and the observance of strict discipline.
- 8. Each and every student duly registered as a student of the University, shall be issued with a copy of these By-laws, the provisions of which will be binding on him in conformity with the declaration made by him in terms of Section 17(b) of the application for University admission submitted by him to the University Grants Commission.
- 9. Upon the receipt of an application on the prescribed from for registration as a student of the University together with such other officer as may be nominated by him for this purpose shall register such students and shall issue to the student so registered an Identity Card and a Student's Record Book bearing the photograph of the student concerned duly embossed with the seal of the University which shall be final and conclusive evidence particulars stated therein.
- 10. Every registered student of the University shall have in his possession either such Identity Card or Student's Record Book which he shall produce when called upon to do by a member of the academic staff or by any officer authorized by the Vice-Chancellor or Registrar for this purpose.
- 11. If any registered student shall fail to produce or willfully refuses to produce or neglects to produce such Identity Card or student's Record Book when called upon to do so by an authorized officer of the University, such student shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence punishable under these By-laws.
- 12. In the event of the failure or the refusal to produce such identity Card or Student's Record Book to an member of the academic staff or an authorized officer, such officer shall have the power to take such student to custody and to produce him before the Dean of the respective faculty or, warden of the respective Hall of Residence of such student if he claims to be residing in a Hall of Residence for identification. In the event of such students not being a resident of a hall of Residence, such student may be produced before the marshal/Chief Security Officer, who shall report him to the proctor for appropriate action.
- 13. The particulars stated in the Identity Card or Student's Record Book shall be deemed to contain prima facie evidence of the student and shall be in the manner prescribed in Schedule I of these By-laws.

- I. The Dean of each Faculty of the University shall have full power and authority to exercise supervisory control over the discipline of all students within the Faculty.
- II. The vice-chancellor may appoint a senior academic member as the Proctor of the University and he shall act on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor in matters of student discipline within the University. The Vice-Chancellor may delegate any of his powers and duties regarding student discipline within the University to the Proctor.
- III. The Vice-Chancellor may, in consultation with the Dean and the Proctor, appoint a member of the academic staff of each Faculty as the Deputy Proctor for such Faculty.
- IV. The Deputy Proctor may be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Dean and the respective Faculty.
- 15. For the purpose of exercising the powers conferred upon the Dean by the preceding paragraph the Dean may issue from to time to time instructions as he deems necessary for the maintenance of discipline in such Faculty.
- 16. Where the Dean of a Faculty of the University is satisfied that there is a likelihood of the breakdown of the smooth functioning of his Faculty due to the disorderly behavior or conduct on the part of a student or students the Dean may take immediate remedial measures with the assistance of the Proctor and his Deputies to prevent a breakdown of the functioning of the Faculty by-laws.
  - I. Reprimanding such student or students for disorderly behavior, or
  - II. Suspension of such student or students from the University or from attending lectures/courses, etc., for a period not exceeding two weeks.
  - III. Reprimanding to the Vice-Chancellor for action such behavior of a student or students where a Dean is of the option that the incident is of such nature that it requires the intervention of the University authorities for appropriate action under the By-laws of the University.
- 17. The Dean shall report to the Vice-Chancellor and the Proctor any disciplinary action taken by the Dean under these By-laws.
- 18. Upon the coming into operation of these By-laws the University shall have full power and authority to consider and assess the conduct of each student in determining the eligibility of such student for the conferment on him of the degree, diploma, certificate or other academic distinction.
- 19. Every registered student shall be bound to protect and safeguard the property of the University. "property" for this purpose includes buildings, libraries, lecture halls, furniture, equipment, and all other movable and immovable assets of the University.

- 20. If in the event of any student being found guilty of damaging or destroying or attempting to damage or destroy the property of the University, he shall be deemed to have committed an offence and shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of these By-laws.
- 21. Every student shall endeavour to foster a corporate and community spirit of life and shall always respect the liberty, freedom and personality of fellow students.
- 22. No student shall engage in anti-social actions or in any action calculated to humiliate, ridicule, hurt or harass a fellow student, or any other person with the University or engage in any other anti-social conduct which may bring the University into disrepute.
- 23. No student shall incite provoke or aid and abet any other student in the commission of any of the acts specified herein before
- 24. Any student who acts in violation of paragraph 6(3)(a) & (b) and 21 to 24 of these Bylaws shall be guilty of an offence punishable under the provisions of these By-laws.

- I. No meeting may be held within the University premises by any student or students, University Union or society or other association of students of the University except with the written approval of the Proctor. The Dean of the Faculty may permit the holding of a meeting of the Faculty students, Faculty Unit or Society where it is restricted to the Students of such Faculty.
- II. Where the approval of the Dean/Proctor, as the case may be, has been so granted subject to such terms and conditions relating to the venue and date of such meeting and its duration and any other matter as may be deemed to be necessary in the circumstances, the meeting must be held in conformity with all such terms and conditions.
- III. Any student who summons or causes the holding of a meeting other than in the manner prescribed in the foregoing paragraph or aids and abets any other person to summon or hold such meeting, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable for punishment, under the provisions of these By-laws.

## IV.

- a. Unless the prior written consent of the Vice-Chancellor has been obtained, no subscription or currency may be collected from among the students, staff of the University or the general public by any student or office-bearer of any union, society or association.
- b. Provided, however, that the provision of this paragraph shall not apply to a subscription collected by a registered union, society or association in accordance with its Constitution or any By-laws made in terms of Section 115(2) of the Act.

- I. No notice, pamphlet, publication or printed material detrimental to the good name and discipline of the University, words or defamatory of any member of the staff or students of the University, may be published and/or distributed, circulated or exhibited in any hall of Residence, Lecture Hall/Room, Laboratory or on any other building or any other property standing on the premises of the University within its territorial boundaries.
- II. Provided, however, that the provision of this paragraph shall to notices, pamphlets, publications and printed material relating to the activities of any registered Student's Union, Society or other Association established and recognized under Section 115 of the Act and intended solely for the furthering of academic or social objectives.
- III. Provided that such material shall not be detrimental to the good name and discipline of the University, or any member of the staff or student of the University.
- 27. The Board of Discipline may for any breach of these By-laws or for any offence punishable under the provisions of these By-laws by any registered student, recommend to the Vice-Chancellor the imposing on him of any one or more of the following punishments.
  - I. A written warning or a severe reprimand.
  - II. Suspension from the University.
  - III. Withdrawal of residential facilities and accommodation.
  - IV. Withdrawal, cancellation or suspension of any financial benefits, assistance or award under the Mahapola Scholarship Scheme, any Bursary Scheme or Endowed Scholarship Scheme.
  - V. Disqualification from sitting any University Examination for a specific period.
  - VI. Suspension of the release of the result of any University Examination for a specific period.
  - VII. Expulsion from the University.

- I. The Board of Discipline or any Committee of inquiry appointed by the Board or the Vice-Chancellor for purposes set out in paragraph 4(iii) or 4(iv) shall have the power to summon any student of the University, to attend any inquiry or to give evidence thereat and to direct any student to make a written statement concerning any matter pertaining to his conduct or behavior or to the conduct or behavior of any other student within the University.
- II. Such Committee of Inquiry shall conduct such inquiries in accordance with the rules of natural justice as far as possible.

- III. Before the commencement of such inquiry, every accused student shall be informed of the charge against him to be tried at the inquiry before him Committee of Inquiry.
- IV. An accused student shall be allowed to be present either in person or with a representative of the Peradeniya Student's Union or the respective Faculty Student's Union, at the inquiry, and may also be allowed to suggest to the Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry any questions that may be put to any person who testifies before the Committee of Inquiry.
- V. The Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry may at his discretion put to the witness such questions suggested by or on behalf of the accused student.
- VI. Under exceptional circumstances the Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry may allow the witnesses to give evidence in camera.

- I. Upon the declaration of an order of closure of the University by the University authorities every student of the University shall be bound to act in accordance with this order and shall leave the University premises before the stipulated time specified in such order.
- II. Any student on who acts in contravention of the provisions of the foregoing paragraph shall be deemed to have committed an offense and shall be liable to be punished in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws.

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- I. Any student on whom a punishment has been imposed by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Board of Discipline and who is aggrieved by the decision of the Board regarding the punishment mat, within a period of one month from the date of communication to him of such punishment or penalty, appeal against such punishment or penalty to the vice-Chancellor.
- II. Upon the receipt of an appeal, the Vice-Chancellor shall refer such appeal to an Appeals Committee appointed by him.
- III. The Appeals Committee, for the purposes of the above paragraph, shall consist of three persons of legal/academic eminence appointed by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Appeals Committee shall have the power to review the decision of the Board of Discipline regarding the punishments impose and may either affirm, vary or set aside the decision regarding the punishment.

- I. It would be the duty of a Warden of a Hall of Residence to impose discipline among the students of the Hall of Residence and act in consultation with the Proctor regarding to student discipline in the Hall of Residence.
- II. A Warden of a Hall of Residence shall inquire into complaints of breach of discipline and take appropriate action by himself where the act of indiscipline is not of a serious nature and may impose any of the following punishments.
  - a. Suspension from the Hall of Residence for period not exceeding two weeks.
  - b. A written warning.
- III. In every case in which a Warden acts under the above provisions, he shall submit a report to the Proctor and shall act in consultation with the Proctor. Where the Proctor is of the view that the breach of discipline is of such nature that it calls for his intervention, he may act in the manner laid down in these By-laws.
- IV. Any student who is aggrieved by the punishment imposed by a Warden shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor forthwith, and the Vice-Chancellor instruct the Proctor to the nature of the incident.

- I. The Dean of a faculty shall pose discipline among the students of the Faculty and shall act in consultation with the Proctor and Deputy Proctor of the Faculty regarding matters pertaining to student discipline in his faculty.
- II. The Dean of a Faculty shall inquire into complaints of breach of discipline and take appropriate action by himself where the act of indiscipline is of such a nature that it could be adequately dealt with by imposing any of the following punishments.
  - a. Suspension from academic activities for a period not exceeding two weeks.
  - b. A written warning
- III. In every case in which Dean acts under the above provisions, he shall submit a report to the Proctor.
- IV. Any student who is aggrieved by the punishments imposed by a Dean of a Faculty shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor who may review the punishment and/or order the conduct of a formal inquiry where he considerers it desirable, depending on the nature of the incident.

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- Subject to the provisions of the Universities Act and other Statutes of the University, the Proctor shall be the authority in-charge of the maintenance of discipline among the students of the University.
- II. In discharging the above duties, he shall act in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor and with the assistance of the Deputy Proctors.

- III. The Proctor shall inquire into complaints of breach of discipline in the University and take appropriate action.
- IV. Where the incident of indiscipline is of such a nature that it can be adequately dealt with by the imposition of the following punishments, he may act by himself.
  - a. Suspension from the University for a Period not exceeding five weeks.
  - b. A written warning.
- V. In every case in which the Proctor acts under these provisions, he shall submit a report to the Vice-Chancellor.
- VI. Any student, who is aggrieved by the punishment imposed by the Procter, shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor forthwith and the Vice-Chancellor may review the punishment and/or order a formal inquiry where he considers it desirable.
- VII. In cases in which incidents of indiscipline are reported, the Proctor shall conduct a preliminary inquiry and submit his observations to the Vice-Chancellor for appropriate action under these By-laws.

- I. A Deputy Proctor of a Faculty shall assist the Dean of the Faculty to maintain and impose discipline among students of the Faulty and shall report to the Dean regarding such matters.
- II. A Deputy Proctor shall also assist the Proctor in the maintenance of discipline among the students of the University.



Please note that "He" denotes both sexes

# Rights and Responsibilities of Students

# Students' Rights

## A student

- 1. shall have the equal rights to participate in lecturers, practical, training, clinical rosters and any academic related activities of the faculty.
- 2. shall have the rights of freedom of speech and free expression of ideas.
- 3. shall have the right to participate in all activities of the university, free from any form of discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, colour, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, disability or age.
- 4. shall have the rights to do all that they can to ensure effective, safe and orderly functioning of the faculty and the university
- 5. has the right to personal privacy.
- 6. subject to disciplinary action arising from violations of university rules and regulations shall be assured a fundamentally fair process.

# Students' Responsibilities

A student has the responsibility

- 1. to respect the rights and property of other students, staff and university officials.
- 2. not to compromise the health, safety, welfare or privacy of other students and staff.
- 3. to maintain a level of behaviour which is consistent in supporting the learning environment of the faculty.
- 4. to use any material, equipment or property which are used for learning purposes in the faculty in a responsible and careful manner.
- 5. to follow the health and safety procedures of the laboratories, clinics and farms.
- 6. to be fully acquainted with the published university rules and regulations and to comply with them.
- 7. to abstain from bulling, harassment and any other unlawful behaviour whilst in the university, studying in the online environment or whilst representing the faculty externally.
- 8. to abstain from plagiarism, collusion or cheating.
- 9. to recognize that student actions, reflect upon the individuals involved and upon the entire university community.