



MSc Veterinary Science

Production Animal Studies

Programme code

08251117

This programme is offered by the Department of Production Animal Studies.

The MSc degree in Veterinary Science is a research degree. The degree is conferred by virtue of the successful completion of a dissertation.

Also consult the General Regulations.

The research topic is determined in consultation with the head of department, and the research project(s)/dissertation that follow, must be approved according to Faculty guidelines.

Before or together with the dissertation, a student must submit at least one draft article for publication in an acknowledged journal, failing which the degree will not be conferred. The draft article must be based on the research for the dissertation and must be acceptable to the supervisor.

For more information, please consult the Faculty webpage.

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Faculty notes

The Faculty of Veterinary Science is unique in South Africa. It is the only institution responsible for training veterinarians and veterinary nurses. Our graduates and research programmes are vital in enhancing human and animal health, promoting biosecurity and welfare, and ensuring our production animals, wildlife and pets are safe and in good health.

The quality and scope of the Faculty's training is such that our graduates are able to enter postgraduate programmes at universities across the world and can practice in many countries without the need to write registration exams. The Faculty is locally relevant and passionate about meeting the needs of South Africa. This not only applies to commercial farming but also to primary animal healthcare, where veterinarians as well as veterinary nurses can assist rural communities



and smallholder farmers.

Minimum duration

1 years, full-time

Admission requirements

BVSc (or equivalent) degree or relevant four-year BScAgric degree or relevant BSc honours degree or relevant postgraduate diploma (on NQF level 8) An admissions examination may be required The candidate may be required to submit proof of experience in their selected field of study