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# 2021 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (VETERINARY BIOSCIENCE) ADMISSIONS GUIDE

Domestic Applicants

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# SCHOOL OF ANIMAL AND VETERINARY SCIENCES

The School of Animal and Veterinary Sciences provides world-class, hands-on education and training to future animal and veterinary scientists.

Our dedicated team of academic, research and professional staff are committed to enhancing student learning experiences and collaborating with our external partners.

We improve the health, welfare and productivity of all animals through our research into local and global issues facing the animal and veterinary industries.

Our research has a Five Star Excellence in Research Australia ranking<sup>^</sup> and is catalysed by high-quality infrastructure and access to cutting-edge industry and research facilities.

## Roseworthy campus

Roseworthy campus is an internationally renowned centre for excellence in dryland agriculture, natural resource management and animal production. It is set on over 1,500 hectares of land for practical training and is home to South Australia's only veterinary school. It features a \$37million veterinary clinic, where students can gain clinical experience while studying.

Roseworthy is located 55 kilometres north of Adelaide and 10 kilometres from the town of Gawler (population 24,000). Access to the campus from Adelaide is available by a North Terrace-Roseworthy campus shuttle bus. Campus services include student accommodation, a café, student union shop, student hub, a swimming pool and fitness centre.

\* QS World University Rankings by Subject Area 2020.

^ 2018 Excellence in Research for Australia



**WE ARE RANKED 49TH IN THE WORLD FOR VETERINARY SCIENCES AND WE ARE HOME TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S ONLY VETERINARY SCHOOL AND VETERINARY TEACHING HOSPITAL.\***





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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (VETERINARY BIOSCIENCE)

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**SATAC CODE:**  
324491

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**DURATION:**  
3 years full-time

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**LOCATION:**  
North Terrace campus/Roseworthy campus

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**MID-YEAR ENTRY:**  
No

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**DEFERRAL:**  
Yes—up to two years

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### Degree overview

The six year veterinary program at the University of Adelaide is composed of two required sequenced degrees, the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) and the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. The three year Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) forms the first part of the required curriculum.

The Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) starts in the first year with foundational science courses, leading on to higher level foundational science courses in the second year and the commencement of veterinary science courses. The third year is a continuation of the veterinary specific science courses. The second and third year (48 units) of the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) includes an in-depth focus (21 units) on anatomy and physiology, which is not typically found in other bachelor degrees. An additional requirement of the program is the completion of a minimum of 480 hours extra-mural experience/work based training.

Entry into the three year Doctor of Veterinary Medicine is obtained by successful completion of the three year Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) at the University of Adelaide, or equivalent degree. The Doctor of Veterinary Medicine is a three year degree composed of two years of para-clinical and clinical veterinary medicine courses, and one year of workplace-based learning in the clinics of the veterinary health centres of the University.

To be considered for direct entry into the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, applicants must hold an equivalent degree to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience). An outside degree is considered equivalent if it contains all of the content of the University of Adelaide Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree taught at the breadth and depth of the University of Adelaide courses. While the foundational science courses from other institutions may partially meet these requirements, undergraduate teaching of veterinary science courses are typically lacking in an undergraduate degree other than an accredited veterinary science degree (e.g. Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Science)).



Before applying for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree, applicants are strongly encouraged to consider if their current degree is equivalent to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience), or not. If not, an application to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) program would be welcomed. Applicants who apply for the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree, who have previously studied at a tertiary institution, may apply for course credit in accordance with the University of Adelaide's Academic Credit Arrangements Policy.

### Inherent requirements

There are inherent requirements associated with the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) and the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program that prospective students need to be aware of before applying. These requirements include, but are not limited to, physical fitness, physical capacity to learn how

to handle a range of large and small animals; required vaccinations (specifically Q fever); and effective written communication.

Applicants must read the Inherent requirements and vaccination guidelines before submitting their applications. Details of these requirements can be found at:

[ua.edu.au/vethowtoapply](http://ua.edu.au/vethowtoapply)

By applying for this program, applicants acknowledge these Inherent requirements and Vaccination guidelines. The University will make reasonable adjustments to the requirements of the veterinary programs to cater for students with disabilities but without compromising the academic integrity of the programs. Where the inherent requirements cannot be met with reasonable adjustments, University staff can provide guidance regarding other program and career options.

### Incidental fees

There will be additional costs, over and above tuition fees for all Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) students, this includes (but is not limited to) textbooks, equipment, required immunisations, placements, student amenities fees etc.

For further information visit:

[adelaide.edu.au/student/finance/other-fees](http://adelaide.edu.au/student/finance/other-fees)





### **Extra Mural Studies requirements**

In order to qualify for the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree students must complete a total of 12 weeks of Extra-Mural Studies (EMS), where one week is equivalent to a minimum of 40 hours over five working days (480 hours minimum).

### **Professional accreditation**

At the University of Adelaide, the veterinary science program is comprised of two degrees: the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) and the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. To practice as veterinarians, students must complete both degrees (six years in total).

The veterinary science program at the University of Adelaide has been granted accreditation by the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council (AVBC), the Veterinary Surgeons' Board of Hong Kong, and the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS)(UK).

Graduates from this program are eligible for registration as veterinarians in all states and territories of Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Africa and the United Kingdom.

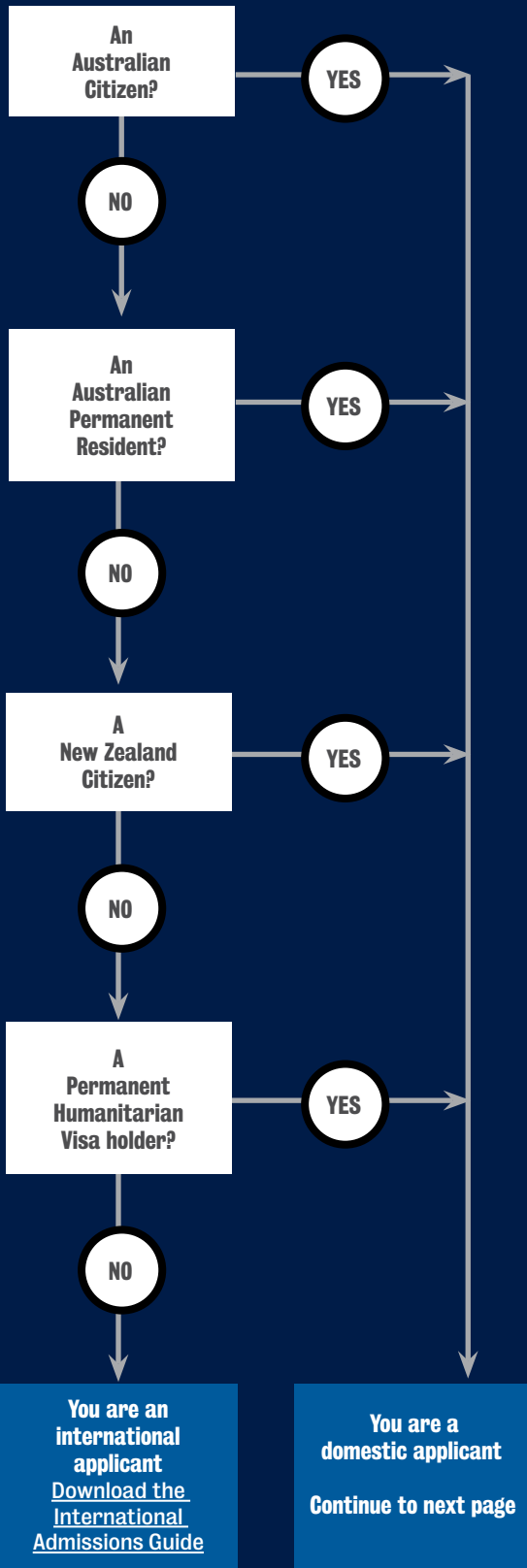
The Veterinary Surgeons Board or Veterinary Practitioners Board in any state or territory of Australia may refuse to register a person not deemed fit to practise veterinary medicine by reason of infirmity, injury, mental or physical illness, habitual drunkenness or addiction to a deleterious drug. In order to meet and maintain accreditation standards with the AVBC, the University of Adelaide is required to train and graduate students who are eligible to be registered as veterinarians.





# ARE YOU A DOMESTIC OR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANT?

## ARE YOU:



## IMMIGRATION STATUS

### Change in immigration status during the application process

- If you are an international applicant to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree and your residency status changes during the application process (i.e. you obtain permanent residency or some other immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency), you will no longer be eligible for an international student place.
- If you are an international student and your immigration status changes prior to 30 September and you have NOT lodged a parallel domestic application and/or you do not meet the additional entry requirements for domestic applicants, you cannot be considered for a domestic offer and can no longer be considered for an international offer. You will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.
- If you are an international student and your immigration status changes after 30 September and prior to the release of international offers, you will no longer be considered for the international cohort. You will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.

### Change in immigration status prior to release of offers

Offers for international places in the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree cannot be made to applicants who are Australian/New Zealand citizens or Australian Permanent Residents.

If you obtain permanent residency (or some other immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency) after 28 September and prior to the release of international offers, you will not be eligible for an international offer and you will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.

### Change in immigration status during studies

If you are an international student and you obtain permanent residency (or another applicable immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency) after you complete your first year of study, you will only be able to remain in the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree if there is a domestic place available at that time.

If a domestic place is available, you must pay tuition fees for the remainder of your studies in the degree (i.e. you cannot be transferred to a Commonwealth supported place).

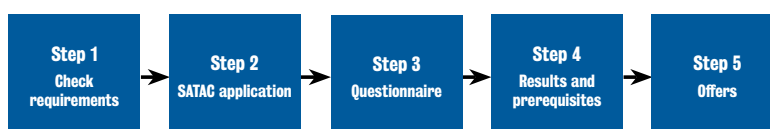


# DOMESTIC ENTRY OVERVIEW

## Application process

### 2021 admissions process

In response to current events the University has made the decision to temporarily change the domestic student admissions process for the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) for the 2021 intake only. This change has resulted in the temporary removal of the interview component, which has previously taken the format of Multiple Mini Interviews. Applicants will still be required to submit a SATAC application, complete a written questionnaire, achieve the minimum academic score as well as meet the prerequisites.



### Step 1. Check requirements

Prior to submitting an application for admission, all applicants are advised to check that they have either completed, or are in the process of completing, the prerequisite subjects:

- **Australian Year 12 SACE Stage 2:** Mathematical Methods (If studied year 12 prior to 2017, the equivalent subject was called Mathematical Studies) and Chemistry, or equivalent.
- **IB:** Mathematics (SL grade 4/HL grade 3), Chemistry (SL grade 4/HL grade 3).
- **Equivalent university or bridging courses:** Applicants are advised to contact the Sciences Service Hub ([faculty.sciences@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:faculty.sciences@adelaide.edu.au)) with regards to whether they have/will complete equivalent prerequisite courses.

Applicants must also read the **Inherent Requirements and Vaccination Guidelines** before submitting their application. Details of these requirements can be found at: [ua.edu.au/vethowtoapply](http://ua.edu.au/vethowtoapply)

### Step 2 - SATAC Application

Domestic applicants to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree apply online through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC). Visit: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)

SATAC receives and processes applications for all undergraduate degrees in South Australia and releases the formal offers for all University of Adelaide degrees. Late applications to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree will not be considered.

### Step 3. Questionnaire

A prescribed questionnaire must be completed and submitted to [Admissions@Adelaide](mailto:Admissions@Adelaide) system.

A link to the [Admissions@Adelaide](mailto:Admissions@Adelaide) portal will be provided to you by SATAC upon submitting your application.

As part of the questionnaire, applicants will be required to provide supporting documentation for the information they provide. Questionnaires will not be considered without supporting documentation.

Please check page 8 for key dates.



## Step 4: Results and prerequisites

Applicants must have successfully completed the prerequisite subjects.

To meet the minimum academic threshold for entry into the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree at the University of Adelaide, applicants must achieve:

- Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) including any applicable adjustment factors (bonus points): 90 or above
- International Baccalaureate score: 33
- Higher Education/Tertiary Transfer: Grade Point Average (GPA): 5.0 or above. Tertiary transfer applicants who have studied Level I Chemistry and/or Biology at tertiary level, must have achieved at least a credit grade average in each of these disciplines.
- STAT Entry:  
[future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/2269/kw/STAT](http://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/2269/kw/STAT)

## Step 5: Offers

Ranking for offers is based on a combination of the following components:

- Questionnaire results
- Academic Score results

**Feedback on performance and overall ranking will not be released by the University. Information regarding applicants and the status of their applications is confidential and will not be released to an advocate of the applicant, whether family or friends. No appeals on behalf of an applicant will be considered.**

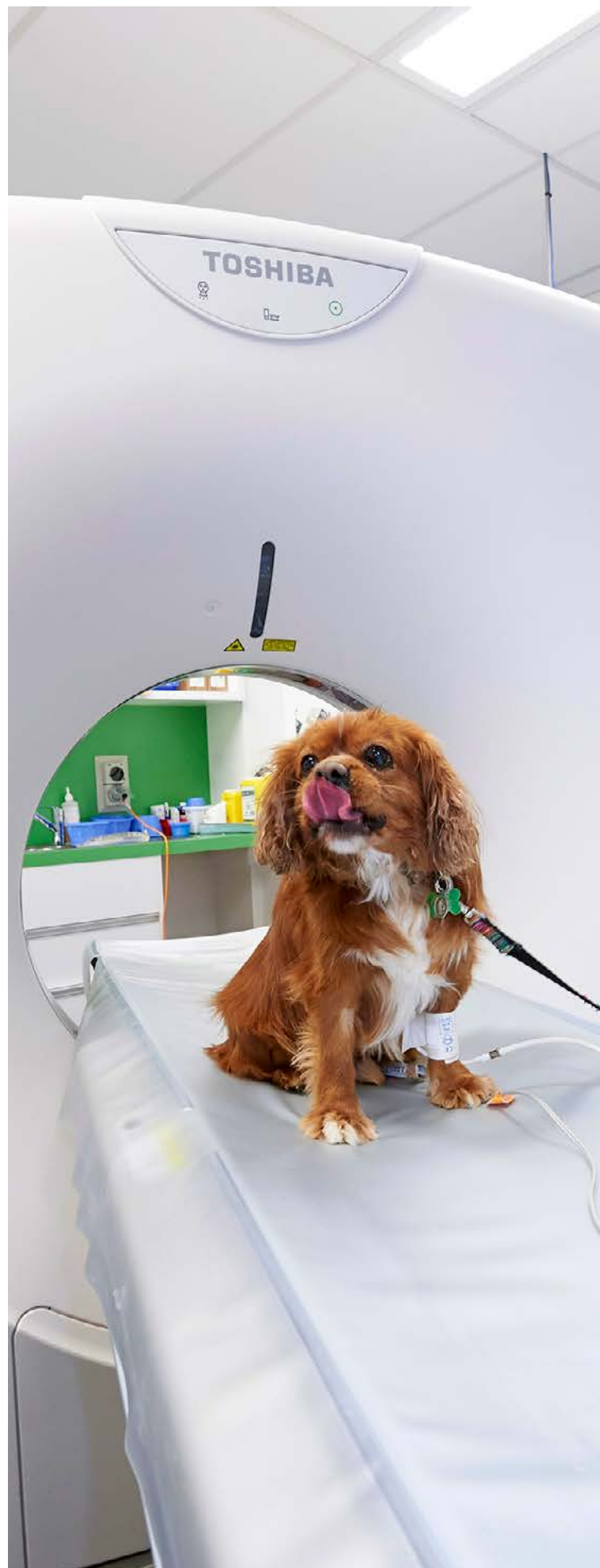
To secure a place in the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) degree, a successful candidate must enrol in all first year courses by the deadline stated in the SATAC offer letter. Information regarding enrolment will be provided by the Faculty of Sciences once SATAC offers are made.

### Applying for credit

If credit is granted this may result in a part-time enrolment.

### Deferral of study

Offer to the Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience) can be deferred for up to two years. For further information visit:  
[future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/2437/kw/deferral](http://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/2437/kw/deferral)



# DOMESTIC KEY DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY
Monday 3 August	SATAC applications open
Wednesday 30 September	SATAC applications close for Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Bioscience)
Monday 26 October	Deadline for submission of Questionnaire to <a href="mailto:Admissions@Adelaide">Admissions@Adelaide</a> by 9:00am (ACST)
SATAC will release offers from January 2021. For SATAC important dates please visit <a href="https://satac.edu.au/undergraduate">satac.edu.au/undergraduate</a>	

For key university dates, please visit: [adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical](https://adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical)







# DOMESTIC CONTACTS

## Who to contact with any questions

The Future Students Team's friendly and skilled staff can address all degree enquiries over the phone or online. If they do not have the answer, enquirers will be referred to faculty/school/discipline staff for expert advice.

### Future Students Team

**T: (08) 8313 7335**

**Free-call (outer Adelaide, SA and interstate only): 1800 061 459**

**Enquire online: [future.ask.adelaide.edu.au](http://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au)**

### SATAC

**W: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)**

**T: (08) 8224 4000**

**T: 1300 138 440 (local call cost)**

### Faculty of Sciences

**T: (08) 8313 5673**

**E: [faculty.sciences@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:faculty.sciences@adelaide.edu.au)**

## FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

The University of Adelaide SA 5005 Australia

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