

	The Royal Veterinary College
5. Programme accredited by	The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS)
6. Name and title	Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Nursing (PGCertAVN)
7. Intermediate Awards	N/A
8. Course Code of 2017 Intake f 265.92 586.0	

	May 2021 (April 2023 for Medical Nursing designation pathway)			
11. Frequency of Intake	Annually in April			
12. Duration and Mode(s) of Study	12 months - 24 months part-time online/distance learning			
13. Registration Period (must be in line with the General Regulations for Study and Award)	Full Time		Part Time	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
	N/A	N/A	Months	Months

	N/A
16. Date of Next Periodic Review	2027 - 2028
17. Language of study and assessment	English
18. Entry Requirements	<p>Are on the current RCVS Register of Veterinary Nurses (or hold a recognised accredited overseas equivalent professional qualification/status).</p> <p>And hold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc Veterinary Nursing or • RVC Graduate Diploma or • Other FHEQ level 6 qualification <p>Are employed in, or have agreed access to placement in, a suitable professional environment, tailored to their area of focussed study.</p> <p>Have the support of their employing/supervising veterinary practice, who will be required to allow time and access for training.</p>

Successfully complete the Contemporary Study Skills bridging short-course (unless given permitted exemption).

English language requirements:

All applicants must have achieved at least a Grade 4/C in GCSE English Language or have an acceptable alternative English Language qualification.

Please see our [English Language Requirements](#) page for a list of qualifications we accept as alternatives to

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19. UCAS code	N/A
20. HECoS Code	100532
21. Relevant QAA subject benchmark	The Framework for Higher Education Qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and the Subject Benchmark Statements for Veterinary Nursing
22. Other External Reference Points	
<p>QAA UK Quality Code for Higher Education. Part A: Setting and Maintaining Academic Standards. The Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies. October 2014. https://www.qaa.ac.uk/docs/qaa/quality-code/qualifications-frameworks.pdf?sfvrsn=170af781_16 [Accessed June 2019].</p> <p>RCVS Post Registration Qualification Framework for Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Nursing (May 2019)</p> <p>Veterinary Surgeons Act (1966)</p> <p>RCVS Code of Professional Conduct for Veterinary Nurses 2019</p> <p>Subject Benchmark Statement Veterinary Nursing (2019) https://www.qaa.ac.uk/docs/qaa/subject-benchmark-statements/subject-benchmark-statement-veterinary-nursing.pdf?sfvrsn=def3c881_6</p>	

23. Aims of programme

Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Nursing (Level 7)

The overall aim of the Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Nursing is to enhance the professional development of the Registered Veterinary Nurse and to:

- Provide learners with a sound understanding of the concepts and principles underpinning advanced veterinary nursing practice and enable them to apply those principles more widely within the clinical context, to provide creative solutions in veterinary nursing care.
- Provide a learning environment to enable learners to apply advanced analytical and decision-making skills to reach sound judgements and to be able to communicate these effectively.

26. Assessment methods

Module Title	Credit Value	Assessment Activity Type	Assessment Size	Weighting	Assessment Credit
Bridging Module Contemporary Study Skills	15	Written Assignment	1500 words	50%	7.5
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Core Modules:

