

Programme Specification

1. Awarding institution	Royal College for Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS)
2. Teaching institution	n/a
3. Programme accredited by	RCVS
4. Final award	Certificate of Advanced Veterinary Practice
5. Programme Title	Certificate of Advanced Veterinary Practice (CertAVP)
6. Date of First Intake	March 2008
7. Frequency of Intake	Continuous
8. Duration and Mode(s) of Study	10 years max per module (6 modules for CertAVP)
9. Timing of Examination Board meetings	n/a
10. Date of Last Periodic Review	n/a

Typically, holders of the qualification will be able to:

- ‡ deal with complex issues in an organised and creative manner, make sound judgements in the absence of complete data, and communicate their conclusions clearly to veterinary colleagues and to non-veterinary audiences, including clients;
- ‡ demonstrate self direction and originality in tackling and solving problems, and act autonomously in planning and implementing tasks in their professional area of work;
- ‡ continue to advance their knowledge and understanding, and to develop new skills to a high level;

Candidates will have the qualities and transferable skills necessary for professional veterinary work requiring:

- ‡ the exercise of initiative and personal responsibility;
- ‡ decision-making in complex and unpredictable situations; and
- ‡ the independent learning ability required for continuing professional development.

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