

International and EU criteria for the BVSc Veterinary Science degree (D100) for 2023 entry

AUSTRALIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **ATAR/OP AND completion of Year 12 certificate**

ATAR 92.00 or OP 5 **AND** completion of Year 12 certificate (see below for example)

Australian Capital Territory Year 12 Certificate	BBBBC to include B in Biology, B in Chemistry English: Year 10 grade B Maths: Year 10 grade B
Higher School Certificate (New South Wales)	55544 to include 5 in Biology, 5 in Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass
Northern Territory Certificate of Education	BBBBB to B+BBB to include B+ Biology, B + Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass
Queensland Certificate of Education <i>VHA = A, HA = B, SA = C</i>	HA, HA, HA, HA, HA, HA to include VHA in Biology, VHA in Chemistry OR BBBBBB to include B in Biology, B in Chemistry
South Australian Certificate of Education	B+B+B+B+B to B+B+B+B+B+ to include B+ in Biology, B+ in Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass
Tasmanian Certificate of Education	HA/CA to include HA in Biology, HA in Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass
Victorian Certificate of Education	B+B+B+B+B to B+B+B+B+B+ to include A in Biology, A in Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass
Western Australia Certificate of Education	BBBBBB to include B in Biology, B in Chemistry English: Pass Maths: Pass

Graduate applicants

Applicants are generally required to have a good Bachelor (Honours) degree at Upper Second-Class standard or a high pass (approximately 70%) or a GPA of 5.0/7.0 in the three-year Ordinary degree from a recognised Australian university
Our standard requirement for Ordinary Bachelor degree graduates from the top Group 8 institutions is a GPA of 4.5/7.0 or 65% overall (equal to a UK 2:1)

Applicants must also have the following

Australian Capital Territory Year 12 Certificate	C in Biology and C in Chemistry
Higher School Certificate (New South Wales)	4 in Biology and 4 in Chemistry
Northern Territory Certificate of Education	B in Biology and B in Chemistry
Queensland Certificate of Education <i>VHA = A, HA = B, SA = C</i>	SA in Biology, HA in Chemistry OR BBBBBB to include B in Biology, B in Chemistry
South Australian Certificate of Education	B+B+B+B+B to B+B+B+B+B+ to include B+ in Biology, B+ in Chemistry
Tasmanian Certificate of Education	HA/CA to include HA in Biology, HA in Chemistry
Victorian Certificate of Education	B+B+B+B+B to B+B+B+B+B+ to include A in Biology, A in Chemistry
Western Australia Certificate of Education	BBBBBB to include B in Biology, B in Chemistry

Other Accepted Qualifications

For Ordinary Bachelor degree graduates from NARIC recognised but nonGroup 8 institutions, we require a GPA of 5.0/7.0 or 71% overall

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AUSTRIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Reifeprüfungszeugnis/Maturazeugnis**

Successfully complete Reifeprüfungszeugnis/Maturazeugnis with a score of 1 (sehr gut) in majority of subjects taken.

- **Biology: 1**
- **Chemistry: 1**
- **English: IELTS required** (see below for score required)
- **Maths: Abschlussprüfungszeugnis from a Berufsbildende Mittlere Schule (BMS) 2 years 1-3 points**

BELGIUM - The recognised A Level equivalent is **Certificat d'Eseignement Secondaire Superieur / Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs / Abschlusszeugnis der Oberstufe des Sekundarunterrichts**

Diploma van Hoger Secundair Onderwijs, Certificate d'Enseignement Secondaire Superieur' or Abschlusszeugnis der Oberstufe des Sekundarunterrichts with an overall average score of at least 80%.

- **Biology: 80%**
- **Chemistry: 80%**
- **English: if English is not studied within main qualification then IELTS is required.** (see below for score required)
- **Maths: 65% (7/10; 13/20)**

CANADA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Grade 12 Secondary School Diploma**

There are regional differences and we've included British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec(below). Please email vetadmit@liverpool.ac.uk for other provisions.

British Columbia:

Pass the British Columbia Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma with five academic grade 12 courses. AAABBB (A minimum average of 80% is required across grade 12 course)

- **Biology: minimum of 80%**
- **Chemistry: minimum of 80%**
- **English: minimum of 70% at grade 12**
- **Maths: minimum of 70% at grade 12 (Mathematics (e.g. Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Functions, Advanced Functions))**

Ontario:

Grade 12 Secondary School Diploma at advanced level, with six grade 12 U, U/C or M courses
AAABBB (3 subjects with a minimum of 80% and 3 subjects at 70%)

- **Biology: A/80%**
- **Chemistry: A/80%**
- **One further subject: A/80%**
- **English: pass at grade 12**
- **Maths: B/70% at grade 12 (Mathematics (e.g. Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Functions, Advanced Functions))**

Quebec:

Grade 12 Diplôme d'Études Collégiales with grades AAABB

- **Biology: A**
- **Chemistry: A**
- **One further subject: A**
- **English: IELTS required** (see below for score required)
- **Maths: minimum of 73% is required at grade 12 e.g. Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Functions, Advanced Functions**

Graduate applicants

Bachelor of Science degree with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (equal to a UK 2:1)

PLUS (=BBB at A-level)

British Columbia:

Pass the British Columbia Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma with five academic grade 12 courses. A minimum average of 70% is required across grade 12 courses.

- **Biology: minimum of 70%**
- **Chemistry: minimum of 70%**

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Ontario:

Grade 12 Secondary School Diploma at advanced level, with six grade 12 U, U/C or M courses BBBB (6 at 70%)

- **Biology: B/70%**
- **Chemistry: B/70%**

Quebec:

Grade 12 Diplôme d'Études Collégiales with grades BBBB

- **Biology: minimum of 70%**
- **Chemistry: minimum of 70%**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**

CYPRUS - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Upper Secondary School (Lykeio) Leaving Certificate (Apolytirio)**

Pass Apolytirion with an overall average of 19, plus an average of 19 in Katefthisis subjects

- **Biology: 19**
- **Chemistry: 19**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: 17**

Apolytirio plus A Levels

Pass Apolytirion with a minimum average of 19 plus GCE A level grades AA including Biology and Chemistry.

- **English: IELTS required**
- **Maths: 17**

CZECH REPUBLIC - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Vysvědčení o maturitní zkoušce (Maturita)**

A minimum of grade 1 (Výborný) in three subjects, and grade 2 (Chvalitebný) in one subject, in any order from both Common and Profile Parts.

- **Biology: 1**
- **Chemistry: 1**
- **One further subject: 1**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: Grade 2 (Chvalitebný)**

DENMARK - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Bevis for Studentereksamen** (Secondary Education Graduation Certificate) or **Højere Forberedelseksamen (HF)** (Higher Preparatory Examination Certificate)

Pass Bevis for Studentereksamen with a minimum of three Level A subjects at grades 10, 10, 10

- **Biology: Level A grade 10**
- **Chemistry: Level A grade 10**
- **One further subject: Level A grade 10**
- **English: Level B grade 10 or Level A grade 7**
- **Maths: Level B grade 7 or Level A grade 7**

EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE - The recognised A level equivalent qualification

Pass with an overall score of 83%

- **Biology: 8**
- **Chemistry: 8**
- **English:**
- Language 1 minimum of 6.0
- Language 2 minimum of 6.5
- Language 3 minimum of 7.0
- Language 4 not acceptable
- **Maths: Grade 8 in 3-period Mathematics**

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FINLAND - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Ylioppilastutkinto
Pass Ylioppilastutkinto/Studentexamen with grades 6665 (EEM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Grade 6/E• Chemistry: Grade 6/E• One further subject: Grade 6/E• English: Grade 4 in Ylioppilastutkinto/Studentexamen English (Matriculation Certificate).• Maths: Grade 4 in Ylioppilastutkinto/Studentexamen English (Matriculation Certificate).
FRANCE - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Baccalaureate General / Option Internationale du Baccalaureat (OIB)
Pass the Baccalaureate General / Option Internationale du Baccalaureat (OIB) 14 (mention bien) overall
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: 14• Physics-Chemistry: 14• English: [OIB Anglais: if 14 is achieved no further English language qualification is required].• Maths (sat in penultimate year): 12
GERMANY - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Abitur
Pass Abitur with a minimum GPA of 1.5 with no subject grade lower than 13 in two Leistungskurse (advanced) subjects
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: 13 (advanced subject)• Chemistry: 13 (advanced subject)• English: Pass Abitur English at 12 points – where English is taken as an achievement/main/intensive course acceptable in place of IELTS or other external language qualifications• Maths: 10
GREECE - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Apolytirio Geniko Lykeio/ General Lyceum Apolytirio
Pass Apolytirio with an overall average of 19, plus an average of 19 in Katefthisis subjects
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: 19• Chemistry: 19• English: IELTS required (see below for score required)• Maths: 17
Apolytirio plus A Levels Pass Apolytirion with a minimum average of 19 plus GCE A level grades AA including Biology and Chemistry.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English : IELTS required• Maths: 17
HONG KONG - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education
Successfully complete HKDSE with 5, 5 in two Elective subjects, plus 4 in each of Core English Language (with no component score less than 4) and Core Maths with 5 in Biology, 5 in Chemistry
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Elective subject Grade 5• Chemistry: Elective subject Grade 5• Maths (Core): HKDSE Grade 4• English (Core): HKDSE Grade 4
ICELAND - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Studentsprof
Pass Studentsprof with an overall average of 8
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Grade 8• Chemistry: Grade 8• English: Grade 7 [when taken as a compulsory modern language]• Maths: Grade 7

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INDIA – The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Standard XII
India Standard XII with a minimum overall average of 85% from four core subjects (not including Hindi, Regional Language, Environmental Education and PE). <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology 80% in the Standard XII• Chemistry 80% in the Standard XII• English: 70% in the Standard XII• Maths: 70% in the Standard XII
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE - The recognised A level equivalent qualification
36 points overall <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Grade 6 at HL• Chemistry: Grade 6 at HL• One further subject: Grade 6 at HL If Chemistry is not taken at HL it MUST be taken at SL (grade 6 required) and therefore, applicants MUST have a second Science subject (either Physics, Mathematics, Geography, Geology, Psychology) at HL together with Biology If GCSE's not taken then <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English: Grade 6 at SL• Maths: Grade 6 at SL
IRELAND (Republic of) - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Irish Higher Leaving Certificate
H1,H1,H2,H2,H2, H2 (new grading system) OR A1, A1, A1, A1 (old grading system) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: H1• Chemistry: H1• English: O3 at Ordinary Level or H6 at Higher Level• Maths: O3 at Ordinary Level/Standard Level or H6 at Higher Level.
ITALY - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Diploma di Esame di Stato
Pass Diploma di Esame di Stato with minimum overall average 95% <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Grade 9• Chemistry: Grade 9• English: IELTS is required (see below for score required)• Maths: Grade 8
LUXEMBOURG - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Diplome de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires
Pass Diplome de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires with a minimum of 50 points (tres bien) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: 48• Chemistry: 48• English: 45 or IELTS (see below for score required)• Maths: 40
MALAYSIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Malaysian Unified Examination Certificate (UEC) / Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia
Pass UEC Senior Middle Level with grades AAAAA excluding Chinese, Bahasa Malay and Book Keeping and Commerce OR STPM - AAA in three of 5 subjects <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Grade A• Chemistry: Grade A• English: Grade B or IELTS (see below for score required)• Maths: Grade B

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MALTA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Matriculation Certificate Examination when studied at the University of Malta**

AA (Advanced level) + AAB (Intermediate level to exclude Systems of Knowledge)

- **Biology: A at Advanced level**
- **Chemistry: A at Advanced level**
- **English: A minimum of grade 4 in the Secondary Education Certificate**
- **Maths: A minimum of grade 4 in the Secondary Education Certificate**

NETHERLANDS - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)**

Pass Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) with an overall average of 8.5

- **Biology: 8.0**
- **Chemistry: 8.0**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: grade 7.0**

NEW ZEALAND - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **NCEA level 3**

Considered on case by case basis, please email vetadmit@liverpool.ac.uk with qualifications

NORWAY - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Vitnemal - Videregaende Opplaering (VVO) - Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)**

Successfully complete Vitnemal - Videregaende Opplaering (VVO) with a minimum overall GPA of 4.5

- **Biology: Minimum of 5.0+**
- **Chemistry: Minimum of 5.0+**
- **English: Grade 4.0 in Vitnemal - Videregaende Opplaering (VVO)**
- **Maths: Grade 4.0 in Vitnemal - Videregaende Opplaering (VVO)**

POLAND - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Matura**

Pass Matura (Basic and Extended level) with an average of 80%, and with 80% in at least two extended level

- **Biology: 80% Extended level**
- **Chemistry: 80% Extended level**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: 75% in Basic Level**

PORTUGAL - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Diploma Nivel Secundario de Educacao / Certificado Nivel Secundario de Educacao / Diploma de Ensino Secundari**

Pass Diploma de Ensino Secundario with an average of 17

- **Biology: 18**
- **Physics-Chemistry: 18**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: 15**

ROMANIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Diploma de Bacalaureat**

Pass Diploma de Bacalaureat with an overall score of 9 in addition to an average score of 9 in each of the final graduation examinations

- **Biology or Chemistry: 9**
- **Maths: 9**
- **Romanian Language: 9**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**

- **If Biology and Chemistry are not taken the Bacalaureat then a grade A at A-level is required in both subjects.**
- **If Biology is taken in the Bacalaureat a Grade A at A-level Chemistry is required**
- **If Chemistry is taken in the Bacalaureat a Grade A at A-level Biology is required**

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SINGAPORE - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Singapore Cambridge A-Level at H2 Level**

Obtain Singapore GCE A Level grades AAA at H2 level

- **Biology H2: A**
- **Chemistry H2: A**
- **One further subject H2: A**
- **English: O'level grade B**
- **Maths: O'level grade B**

OR

Pass the Polytechnic Diploma in Veterinary Bioscience, Veterinary Technology or Biotechnology with an overall GPA of **3.2**.

- **Biology all modules: Grade B**
- **Chemistry all modules: Grade B**
- **English: O'level grade B**
- **Maths: O'level grade B**

SLOVAKIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Vysvedčenie o maturitnej skúške (Maturita)**

Successfully complete Vysvedcenie o Maturitnej Skuske (Maturita) with a minimum of grade 1 (Vyborny) in three subjects and grade 2 (Chvalitebny) in one subject.

- **Biology: Grade 1 (Vyborny)**
- **Chemistry: Grade 1 (Vyborny)**
- **One further subject: 1 (Vyborny)**
- **English: IELTS (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: Grade 4**

SLOVENIA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Maturitento Spricevalo**

Successfully complete Maturitento Spricevalo with a minimum overall average grade of 27, including no less than grade 4 in each of five subjects at Basic Level

- **Biology: Grade 7 at Higher Level**
- **Chemistry: Grade 7 at Higher Level**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: 4 at basic level**

SPAIN - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **Titulo de Bachiller**

Pass Titulo de Bachiller at an average of 8.5

- **Biology/Biology-Geology: 8**
- **Chemistry/Physics-Chemistry: 8**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: Grade 7**

SOUTH AFRICA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the **National Senior Certificate (with Matriculation Endorsement) or Independent Exam Board (IEB).**

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- **Biology/Life Sciences: 7**
- **Chemistry/Physical Sciences: 7**
- **English: 5**
- **Maths: 5**

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SWEDEN - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Avgångsbetyg / Slutbetyg Fran Gymnasieskola

Successful completion of Avgångsbetyg /Slutbetyg Fran Gymnasieskola with 2,500 credits with 18 overall average and no failed subjects plus any subject requirements

- **Biology: Grade A/ 20**
- **Chemistry: Grade A/20**
- **English: Avgångsbetyg / Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskola Grade C/15**
- **Maths: English: Avgångsbetyg / Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskola Grade C/15**

SWITZERLAND - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is the Schweizerische Maturitätsprüfung

Successfully complete Schweizerische Maturitätsprüfung with an overall average grade of 5.0.

- **Biology: Grade 5**
- **Chemistry: Grade 5**
- **English: IELTS required (see below for score required)**
- **Maths: Grade 4**

USA - The recognised A level equivalent qualification is a combination of College Board AP/SAT II Subject Tests *and* SAT I Reasoning Tests/ACT's *and* High School Diploma

Either 3 College Board AP exams (5, 5, 5)

- **Biology: 5**
- **Chemistry: 5**
- **One further subject: 5**
- **English: 4**
- **Maths: 4**

OR

3 SAT II Subject Test 2100 (700, 700, 700) **IF ALREADY TAKEN**

- **Biology: 700**
- **Chemistry: 700**
- **One further subject: 700**
- **English: 650**
- **Maths: 650**

PLUS High School Diploma GPA 3.0 or above

PLUS Either SAT I Reasoning Test at 1290+ (minimum Math Section 620+, Evidence-Based Reading and Writing 660+) **OR** ACT Composite Score at 27 or above

Graduate applicants

Bachelor of Science degree with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (equal to a UK 2:1)

PLUS

Either 3 Group 'A' AP exams (4, 4, 4)

- **Biology: 4**
- **Chemistry: 4**
- **English: 4**
- **Maths: 4**

OR

3 SAT II Subject Test 1950 (650, 650, 650) **IF ALREADY TAKEN**

- **Biology: 650**
- **Chemistry: 650**
- **English: 650**
- **Maths: 650**

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PLUS

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Either SAT I Reasoning Test at 1290+ (minimum Math Section 620+, Evidence-Based Reading and Writing 660+) **OR** ACT Composite Score at 27 or above

In the British Council International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test we require an overall score of 7.0 or above with a minimum of 7.0 in each component.

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