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## General

### Scope

This policy covers all undergraduate and postgraduate taught programmes for UK, EU and overseas students which lead to approved awards of the Royal Veterinary College.

### Purpose

The Royal Veterinary College (RVC) is committed to admitting high-quality students by identifying merit and potential and ensuring that its admissions process is fair and transparent.

The Admissions Policy and Procedures (the Policy) supports the goals, vision and aims of the RVC as laid out in our Strategic Plan. It complies with relevant legislation and is guided by the principles outlined by the Admissions to Higher Education Steering Group, the Office for Students, the Competition and Markets Authority and by the Quality Assurance Agency's UK Quality Code for Higher Education - Advice and Guidance: Admissions, Recruitment and Widening Access (2018). In the case of admission to our Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Nursing courses these policies and procedures are also guided by the principles outlined by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

The Policy is reviewed annually by the Head of Admissions

## Admissions Statement

The RVC is committed to operating an admissions process which is demonstrably fair, transparent, professional, and underpinned by appropriate and robust institutional structures. Admissions decisions are based on academic potential, irrespective of background.

In support of fair admissions, the RVC strives to:

- ensure that admissions decisions are based on an applicant's achievements and potential.
- embed fair admissions processes both centrally and across the RVC to ensure equality of educational opportunity for applicants regardless