2012
The School celebrates 150 years since its foundation in 1862. This milestone is marked by many events throughout the year including the celebratory ‘Vet 150’ Conference, 5 - 7 October 2012.

The first students graduate from the BSc programme in Veterinary Biosciences.

2013
The first students graduate from the MSci programme in Veterinary Biosciences.

2014
‘John Barrowman’s Pets with Problems’, filmed in the School of Veterinary Medicine, is launched on Channel 4. The programme is subsequently nominated for a Royal Television Society Award.

2015
Professor Sarah O’Sullivan, Institute of Biodiversity, Animal Health and Comparative Medicine and the School of Veterinary Medicine receives an OBE for services to veterinary epidemiology. Professor John Filipponi, Director of the Beaty Biodiversity Institute, University of British Columbia is awarded an OBE for services to animal health and welfare.

Professor Ewan Cameron is appointed as Head of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

2016
The Garscube Learning and Social Space (GLaSS) is opened. Formally named the Mary Stewart Building, it will provide first class teaching and social facilities for staff and students at Glascow.

Professor the Lord Trees receives the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery.

The School marks the 100th anniversary year of Alf Wight (1916-1995), who became famous under the pseudonym James Herriot for his books of stories about the life of a country vet. In celebration, Alf’s son, Jim Wight, will deliver the Professor James McCall Memorial Lecture on Friday 28 October 2016.
A Brief History
The School of Veterinary Medicine

1862: Glasgow Veterinary College founded.

1869: The school moved to its present location on the Garscube estate.

1924: The School of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery of the University of Glasgow and the Veterinary School of the Royal College of Science for Ireland amalgamated to form the University of Glasgow Veterinary School.

1936: The veterinary school was accorded the status of Faculty. The Centre for Veterinary Research was established.

1944: The Faculty formed the new Veterinary School and the retirement of Sir William Weipers as Dean.

1949: The first official Faculty link with Africa involving a group of 12 students to the University of Pretoria and the University of Nairobi.

1951: Chairs of Veterinary Surgery and Veterinary Pathology established.

1954: The bovine lungworm vaccine produced.

1956: The School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Glasgow and St Georges Veterinary College founded.

1957: Sir William Weipers receives knighthood.

1958: Edinburgh University and Veterinary School of the University of Glasgow amalgamate their Departments of Veterinary Science.

1959: The 4th General Assembly of the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education meets in Glasgow.

1960: Glasgow develops the use of tissue culture in research, which included George Urquhart, vice principal Peter Holmes receives OBE.

1962: First ever aluminum interferential ultrasound unit in Britain is patented by the University of Glasgow.

1963: Sir James Black, who in the 1950s established the first high blood pressure drug,locardine, is threatened with closure after only a few years of operation. The Riley Report was carried out to examine the future of veterinary school.

1967: The School of Veterinary Medicine replaces the Glasgow Veterinary College. The Inaugural Lectures, the school's annual tradition, is held.

1970: Professor Ewan R Cameron appointed Head of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

1974: Sir James Black wins the Nobel prize for his discovery of L-compression.

1978: Jim Wight, the author's son.


1985: The Faculty holds its first Alumni Dinner.

1992: The Faculty receive the highest possible grade in the first ever National Teaching Quality Assessment, a procedure set up by the Department for Education, Employment and Science.

1996: Glasgow Veterinary School becomes the first veterinary school in the UK to have its research linked with the Moredun Research Institute, cementing its reputation for research excellence.

1997: The Development Fund is set up to build on the Faculty's already impressive record.

2000: The Faculty receives its highest award, the Research Excellence Award, for the first time.

2004: The Faculty is confirmed as one of the top veterinary schools in the world.

2006: The Faculty is named as a centre of excellence by the AVMA, the first time.

2007: The Faculty holds its first Alumni Day.

2010: The Faculty is ranked number one in the UK for student satisfaction in the National Student Survey.

2011: Professor unusual cow's milk protein.

2012: The Faculty holds its first Alumni Dinner.

2013: The Faculty is ranked number one in the UK for student satisfaction in the National Student Survey.

2014: The School of Veterinary Medicine becomes a part of the University of Glasgow's College of Medical, Veterinary and Life Sciences.

2015: The Faculty receives the highest possible grade in the second National Teaching Quality Assessment, retaining its position as the highest rated veterinary school in the UK.

2016: The Faculty holds its first Alumni Dinner.

2017: The Faculty receives the highest possible grade in the third National Teaching Quality Assessment, retaining its position as the highest rated veterinary school in the UK.

2018: The Faculty receives its second Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.

2019: The Faculty is ranked number one in the UK for student satisfaction in the National Student Survey.

2020: The Faculty receives its third Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.

2021: The Faculty receives its fourth Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.

2022: The Faculty receives its fifth Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.

2023: The Faculty receives its sixth Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.

2024: The Faculty receives its seventh Research Excellence Award, one of only a few schools in Europe to have this award.