

Extract from the Senate Regulations 2020-21

DEGREE OF MASTER OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

RESOLUTION

The Degree of Master of Veterinary Medicine is governed by Resolution No. 580 of the University Court, the provisions of which are as follows:

1. The Degree of Master of Veterinary Medicine (MVM) may be awarded by the Senate of the University of Glasgow in the College of Medical, Veterinary & Life Sciences.
2. The Senate may make regulations, which are subject to the approval of the University Court, governing the award of the Degree – these are set out in the section entitled 'Regulations'.
3. Each candidate for the Degree shall be examined by a Committee of Examiners which shall consist of one or more members appointed by the Senate, together with one or more additional examiners appointed by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate. The Examiners shall conduct such oral and written examinations as they may desire or as the Senate may prescribe in each case.

REGULATIONS

1. A research student within the meaning of Ordinance No. 350 (General No. 12), who has prosecuted in the University of Glasgow, or in an institution recognised for the purpose by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate, a course of special study or research in accordance with the provisions of that Ordinance, may offer themselves as a candidate for the Degree of Master of Veterinary Medicine, under the following conditions:
 - a) that they have obtained a degree in veterinary medicine and surgery in a Scottish university or a comparable degree in veterinary science in another university or college recognised for the purpose by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate, or in exceptional circumstances other qualifications approved by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate;
 - b) that they have prosecuted a course of special study or research during a period which may be full-time or part-time.
2. A candidate who has devoted the major part of the day to the object of their research or study shall be regarded as a full-time student for whom the period of study shall be not less than 12 months. Other candidates shall be regarded as part-time students for whom the period of study shall normally be not less than 24 months.
3. A member of the teaching staff of the University or a person who holds an appointment as Research Assistant or Research Fellow of the University of Glasgow and is paid through the Finance Office or directly by a grant-aiding body approved by the University Court, may notwithstanding offer themselves for the Degree of Master of Veterinary Medicine if they have prosecuted a course of special study or research on a part-time basis for a period of not less than 12 months.
4. Admission to study or research for the Degree shall normally be permitted only at the beginning of the academic year.

5. The Senate may permit graduates of the University of Glasgow to prosecute part of their studies elsewhere, provided that a period of full-time study of not less than four months in total shall be spent in the University of Glasgow or a recognised institution.
6. The Senate shall designate, for each candidate, a supervisor who shall report annually to the Senate on the progress of the candidate.
7. On completion of the prescribed period of study or research each candidate shall present a thesis embodying the result of their work which may be either a record of original research or a critical review of existing knowledge.
8. In no case shall the thesis required from a candidate for the Degree of MVM be presented before the completion of 12 months from the date of their admission as a research student. Except by special permission of the Senate a thesis may not be presented after the lapse of four years or more from the date of the candidate's admission to study for the Degree.
9. Where a thesis is not a record of original research, the Board of Examiners shall determine that either written or oral examinations or a combination of these be instituted. In other cases the Board of Examiners may determine that either written or oral examinations or a combination of these shall be instituted. The Board of Examiners shall notify the candidate in writing of all such requirements through the College Graduate School.
10. Application for examination for the Degree of MVM must be submitted in accordance with the procedures of the appropriate College details of which may be obtained from the College Graduate School on request.
11. Submission of the thesis should be completed electronically as directed by the Graduate School and must conform to University Library specifications published at: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/research/enlighten/theses/formattingyourthesis/>. In all cases the submission must include an adequate and informative summary (250 - 500 words). The thesis must be accompanied by a declaration by the candidate that it has been composed by themselves. They must also state the extent to which they have used the work of others, and must further state which portions of the thesis, if any, they claim as original.
12. If the Examiners consider that the thesis has not achieved the standard required for the award of the Degree, the candidate may be permitted to revise the thesis and resubmit it, on one occasion only, under such conditions as the Examiners may prescribe in each particular case. Normally, resubmission should be no later than six months after the date of the meeting of the Board of Examiners.
13. If approved for the degree, one hard-bound copy of the thesis and one electronic copy shall be deposited with the University Library. Where agreed by the Graduate School and the Library, hard bound submission may be waived in favour of solely electronic submission. Any hard copy should normally be produced to the standard defined in BS4821:1990 available from the Library, and the electronic copy must conform to University Library specifications published at <https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/research/enlighten/theses/formattingyourthesis/>. It is the University's normal practice to make any bound copy available for consultation in the Library, and to permit computer download of the electronic copy through its repository service, Enlighten. Such access may, however, be restricted under provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 or the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004.