

C-CAM.2 Advanced Clinical Camelid Practice (A)

Credits: 10 (100 hours)

Provider: Veterinary Postgraduate Unit – School of Veterinary Science

RCVS Content Covered

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Aim of the Module

The aim of the module is to develop a systematic and reasoned approach to the medical and surgical management of conditions of the alimentary system (including the liver), the respiratory and cardiovascular systems, musculoskeletal system and the integument of camelids.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this module candidates should be able to:

1. critically evaluate the aetiology and pathophysiology of diseases affecting the alimentary, respiratory, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal and integumentary systems of the camelid and apply this knowledge in the investigation and management of these conditions;
2. critically appraise the literature relevant to clinical cases in the topics covered and how the literature can be used to inform practice;
3. apply clinical reasoning skills and evidence-based medicine in the diagnostic approach and management of diseases relevant to the topic covered;
4. critically reflect on the appropriate case for onward referral.

Module Structure

The syllabus will be divided into 5 study units, each containing lecture and reading material supported by weekly interactions in the form of asynchronous case-based discussions, other discussions and/or synchronous journal clubs/literature critiques.

Study Unit 1: Alimentary system

- Non-infectious conditions of the alimentary tract including gastric ulceration, surgical and medical colic and dental problems including extraction.
- Infectious conditions of the alimentary tract including parasitism
- Diseases of the liver

Study Unit 2: Respiratory system

- Non-infectious and infectious conditions of the upper and lower respiratory tract commonly seen in practice.

Study Unit 3: Cardiovascular and haematopoietic system

- Cardiac conditions, diseases of the blood vessels and causes of anaemia regularly encountered in practice.

Study Unit 4: Musculoskeletal system

- Common injuries to the musculoskeletal system and conditions causing lameness
- Common non-neurological conditions causing ataxia and recumbency

Study Unit 5: Integument

- Infectious and non-infectious skin diseases commonly seen in practice.

Assessment Strategy

- **2 x 1500-word reflective case reports (60%)**
On a topic related to the relevant study units, students are required to reflect on their own practice, using evidence-based veterinary medicine to inform their reflection. Reflective case reports are written following the format of published case reports in the veterinary literature. The case report component of the assessment must be passed for successful completion of the module, and is non-compensatory with other assessments, however there is compensation between case reports. Case reports are also submitted to a discussion board for critique and discussion by/with peers. A proportion of marks for this assessment are also allocated to this discussion element.
- **1 x 1-hour open book examination (30%)**
Based around clinical scenarios/cases, relevant to the module study units.
- **1 x written journal critique (not more than 500 words) and group discussion (10%)**
Hosted by a staff member online synchronously using MS Teams. 2-4 students critique the same paper, and then discuss their critiques and any variations with the group, and the tutor and the students then hold a discussion of all papers. These are assessed on the submitted critique as well as the discussion.

Assessments are submitted sequentially with feedback being given between assessments to aid in the development of writing skills.

PLEASE NOTE: It is your responsibility to ensure that you have access to sufficient appropriate cases where you were the primary decision maker to produce adequate material for the module. This may not be possible with some internship positions. You must also be aware of any limitations of your facilities that may make the accumulation of appropriate cases difficult or impossible.