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Pathology: Wildlife 806 (PAT 806)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Veterinary Science

Module credits 28.00

Programmes MSc Option: Ruminant Health (Coursework)

MSc Option: Veterinary Epidemiology (Coursework)

MVeterinary Medicine Bovine Medicine (Coursework)

MVeterinary Medicine Cattle Herd Health

MVeterinary Medicine Laboratory Animal Science

MVeterinary Medicine Pig Herd Health

MVeterinary Medicine Poultry Diseases (Coursework)

MVeterinary Medicine Small Stock Herd Health

MVeterinary Medicine Veterinary Public Health (Coursework)

MVeterinary Medicine Wildlife Diseases

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition English

Academic organisation Paraclinical Sciences

Period of presentation Year

Module content

The emphasis of the module is on practical diagnostic pathology (including forensic pathology) and its outcomes will enable a veterinarian to investigate disease and the cause of death in wildlife. The approach will emphasise the following: After conducting a necropsy, a diagnosis is finalised by also considering the results of other diagnostic tests and ancillary data; when it is not possible to make a final diagnosis, the formulation of a list of differential diagnoses and a strategy to resolve the problem; compiling interim and final report(s) that are scientifically sound, presentable to a court of law and reflect a degree of professionalism that is commensurate with a professional person. The theoretical component includes selected information dealing with incidental findings and 'non-lesions', species-specific infectious diseases, and non-infectious diseases.

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