The Master of Veterinary Medicine (MVM) is a distance learning Master-level programme offered internationally. It is known for the excellence of its lecturers and the in-depth nature of the courses offered. Veterinarians who have a veterinary degree equivalent to Massey University’s Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) (see list on MVM website) can study in the programme.

Massey University’s veterinary school is AVMA accredited and has over 50 years of experience in distance learning. This year Massey University celebrates 50 years of providing veterinary education.

The MVM’s innovative online learning systems make it possible for you to study anywhere in the world.

The MVM programme offers flexible high-quality education with:

- distance learning within a supportive environment
- flexibility to study single subjects in a topic of interest
- opportunity to complete a full Masters or another of Massey’s well-respected qualifications
- in-depth cover of an aspect of veterinary medicine (e.g., Canine and Feline Neurology).
- opportunity to become part of a community with your international colleagues.

Each in-depth course offers a different type of learning experience depending on the lecturer, the group of students and the course structure.

All subjects are formally assessed at the end and also have case-based discussion and assessments during the course. The student workload for each taught subject, including assessment, is 150 hours and most subjects are spread over eight months of the year.

The timeframe for completion of the full MVM or one of the other qualifications varies and this is one of the features of the MVM programme – students can fit study around their work and other commitments. Some students complete the full MVM in 3-4 years and others take longer.

Class sizes are limited to 30 students to maximise the learning experience for students. A special feature of each course is a 3-4 day contact course or workshop which is held at Massey University during the course. Attendance at the workshop is optional but highly recommended. If a student cannot attend we offer the option to join some (non-practical) sessions live via the internet. Attendance is not compulsory to pass the course.

**COURSES RUNNING FROM JULY 2013 TO FEBRUARY 2014:**

- **Canine and Feline Neurology**  Lecturers: Christopher Mariani DVM PhD DACVIM(Neurology)
  Chris Thomson BVSc(Hons) PhD DACVIM(Neurology) DipECVN
- **Ophthalmology in Small Animal Practice**  Lecturer: Mark Billson BVSc PhD DVOphthal DipVetClinStud MANZCVSc MRCVS Specialist in Veterinary Ophthalmology in Australia
- **Canine and Feline Orthopedic Surgery**  Lecturer: Andrew Worth BVSc MANZCVS(radiology)
  PGDipVCS FANZCVS(small animal surgery)
- **Lameness Investigation and Control for Cattle Veterinarians**  Lecturer: Richard Laven BVetMed PhD Lond MRCVS

More details about these courses are available on the MVM website.
COURSES RUNNING FROM FEBRUARY TO NOVEMBER 2014:
Companion Animal: Canine and Feline Emergency Medicine, Canine and Feline Oncology, Diagnostic Imaging for Small Animal Veterinarians, Avian Medicine, Canine and Feline Soft Tissue Surgery and Equine: Advanced studies in equine diagnostic imaging (details to be confirmed)
Production Animal: Advanced Mastitis Management for the Production Animal Veterinarian.

Feedback from MVM students:
“...how excellent these papers are to brush up on areas you feel rusty in, explore an area of interest or just a great way to get a post grad qualification while working.”

“Oh really impressed with the organisation of the papers and how they are run.”

“It has made me even more enthusiastic about my job and enthused me to do a better job.”

“I enjoyed the real time contact course presentation so much that I got up earlier and earlier to join the crowd on the subsequent days”

“...it still amazes me that I have an entire library of Veterinary resources at my disposal when just sitting here at the laptop. I must start to get used to using it.”

For more information about the MVM and enrolment visit: www.mvm.massey.ac.nz or email: mvm@massey.ac.nz