1. Applies to cohort commencing in:	2024
2. Degree Granting Body	University of London
3. Awarding institution	The Royal Veterinary College
4. Teaching institution	The Royal Veterinary College
5. Programme accredited by	Royal Society of Biology (Advanced Accreditation)
6. Name and title	Master in Science in Applied Biological Research (MSci ABR) Master in Science in Applied Biological Research with Placement Year (MSci ABR PY)
7. Intermediate and Subsidiary Award(s)	Cert HE in Applied Biological Research, Dip HE in Applied Biological Research
8. Course Management Team	Course Director: Dr Isabel Orriss & Dr Caroline Pellet-Many Year 1 Leader: Dr Donald Palmer Year 2 Leader: Dr Abir Mukherjee Placement Year Leader (if applicable): Dr Claire Russell Year 3/4 Leader: Dr Matthew Gage Years 4/5 MSci Year Leader: Dr Claire Russell
9. Level of Final Award	Level 7 See Office for Students (OfS) Sector-recognised standards
10. Date of First Intake	September 2002 for BSc, September 2014 for transfer from BSc Biological Sciences to MSci year 4 September 2015 for MSci Applied Biological Research September 2022 for

	Progression to the Placement Year and/or the Msci Placement Year Written offer of a Placement from a placement provider. The proposed placement project must address the Learning Outcomes. The placement provider must satisfactorily complete an 'RVC Collaborative Partners' form. The student must attend a Placement Health and Safety Induction at the RVC. Travel Risk Assessments must be performed if the placement is abroad. A Placement Supervisor must be named, and their details provided. Additional progression requirement to Msci Year To be considered for progression to MSci Year, applicants must have achieved an aggregate Year 2 mark of at least 50%
19. UCAS code	MSci: C103 MSci with Placement Year: C105
20. HECoS Code	100345
21. Relevant QAA subject benchmark	Biosciences

22. Other External Reference Points

Regulations of the University of London
Office for Students (OfS) Sector-recognised standards
Quality Assurance Agency, The Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies, 2014
Credit Level Descriptors for Higher Education, SEEC
Royal Society of Biology Degree Accreditation Criteria

23. Aims of programme

BSc Biological Sciences:

- To offer a high quality course, in which students are challenged by, and stimulated to challenge, accepted wisdom in all fields of biological and biomedical science.
- To prepare graduates for careers in academic and industrial research, biotechnology and the pharmaceutical industry in general, and in other health and medicine-related industries.
- To offer a high quality preparation for students aspiring to graduate entry to Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine.

Placement Year

- To prepare students for the workplace through development of employability skills and understanding of the sector and organisation in which they are placed
- To increase student employability by providing work and research experience with a placement provider
- To provide students with a framework for lifelong learning
- To provide opportunity to develop research skills, including synthesis of information, critical analysis and an appreciation of factors that contribute to uncertainties

MSci Applied Biological Research Year:

- Gain research experience within biological and biomedical sciences that is relevant to their degree.
- Gain a deep and systematic understanding of current questions, problems and methods employed within the selected specialised research topic.
- Implement principles of project and experimental design and carefully execute, record and clearly disseminate research.
- Use self-reflection to improve levels of knowledge, professionalism, personal skills and research skills.

x	Employ models of reflection to explore and critically evaluate how these influence own learning, personal and professional planning; providing recommendations and action plan to improve	Professionalism and Project modules

x	Understand the importance of intellectual property and confidentiality in business and research.	MSci Placement Year
x	An appreciation of the culture of the placement provider and of the relevance of the project to the organisation.	MSci Placement Year
x	Demonstrate extensive research experience within biological sciences that is relevant to their degree.	Projects
x	Demonstrate a deep and systematic understanding of current questions, problems and methods employed within the selected specialised research topic	Research Skills module Project
x	Implement principles of project and experimental design and carefully execute, record and clearly dissems o.2 (d c)-o55 Tw0 g287.16 659	64 0.72 0.72 rT (l)-1.1 (u)-6.4 (c)-8 (h t)-1.1 (. T

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Total Credit to be studied at this stage	120 at Level 7

There are no optional modules