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**2022.010.124 - The issue of making changes to some articles of the Clinical Courses and Clinical Duty Application Principles of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, discussed in the meeting numbered 11 and dated 27.05.2021 of our University Senate was discussed.**

As a result of the discussions held; It was unanimously decided to accept the following form by making changes to some articles of the Veterinary Faculty Clinical Courses and Clinical Duty Application Principles discussed in the meeting numbered 11 dated 27.05.2021 of our University Senate.

**ERCIYES UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
PRINCIPLES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
CLINICAL COURSES AND CLINICAL DUTIES**

**CHAPTER ONE**

**Purpose, Scope, Basis, and Definitions Purpose**

**ARTICLE 1- (1)** The purpose of these principles is to determine the procedures and principles regarding the clinical courses to be taken and clinical duties to be undertaken by students continuing their education at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

**Scope**

**ARTICLE 2- (1)** These principles cover the duration, format, procedures, and principles of the clinical courses to be taken and clinical duties to be undertaken by students continuing their education at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

**Basis**

**ARTICLE 3- (1)** These principles are based on the ERU Associate and Undergraduate Education and Training Regulation published in the Official Gazette dated 15/06/2012 and numbered 28324, as well as the standards of national (Association for the Evaluation and Accreditation of Educational Institutions and Programs of Veterinary Medicine - VEDEK) and international (The European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education - EA EVE) veterinary medicine accreditation institutions.

**Definitions**

**ARTICLE 4 – (1)** The following terms used in these principles shall be understood as:

- a) **Faculty Board:** The Board of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Erciyes University,
- b) **Dean of the Faculty:** The Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Erciyes University,
- c) **Clinical Courses:** The joint practical courses offered in the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th semesters by the Departments of Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Reproduction and Artificial Insemination, Internal Medicine, and Wildlife Diseases within the Department of Clinical Sciences,
- ç) **Clinical Duties:** The compulsory practical applications carried out at the Veterinary Faculty Training, Research and Application Hospital during the clinical course in the 9th semester and within the scope of VHIE in the 10th semester,
- d) **VETOPRATIK:** The Student Clinical Monitoring Charts Automation Program,
- e) **VHIE:** The Veterinary Internship Education.

## CHAPTER TWO

### Procedures and Principles of Clinical Courses and Clinical Duties

#### Principles of Clinical Courses

**ARTICLE 5 – (1)** Students take these courses within the framework of a rotation program among the Departments of Clinical Sciences at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, at the Veterinary Faculty Training, Research, and Application Hospital, following the rules specified below and the program shown in Table 1.

- a) At the beginning of each semester, students receive 1 hour of orientation training for each department they will rotate to.
- b) It is strongly recommended that students be vaccinated for rabies and tetanus before starting their clinical courses. Students must be present in the clinic dressed in appropriate attire (lab coat, scrubs, etc.) and protective equipment (mask, gloves, cap) and must comply with the instructions of the responsible faculty member/veterinarian and the hospital's biosecurity protocols.
- c) Students must bring their own basic personal equipment (stethoscope, thermometer, gloves, shoe covers, mask, pen, and clinical logbook, etc.) to the clinic during clinical courses and duties.
- ç) Clinical courses are planned in such a way as to guarantee students the opportunity to observe emergency cases. In this context, students undertake 120 hours of clinical duties as part of the 9th semester clinical course.
- d) Students keep a clinical logbook during their clinical courses. On the first day, they record their skills and competencies in the VETOPRATIK system and learning diaries (logbooks). Each student is required to report on the cases they intervene in within their clinical logbook. At the end of the semester, students must submit their clinical logbooks to the Department of Clinical Sciences. Student follow-up cards/learning diaries (logbooks) and the clinical logbook are graded at the end of the semester based on a numerical grading system. The final grade includes 40% from the follow-up cards/learning diary (logbook) and 20% from the clinical logbook, totaling 60%. The process-based assessment for the course contributes 40% to the final grade.
- e) Grading for midterm exams in clinical courses is based on attendance, clinical logbooks that document all rotations, performance of the required first-day skills and competencies, and adherence to biosecurity and animal welfare protocols in the clinic.
- f) The final, make-up, and single-subject exam processes for clinical courses are carried out based on process-oriented measurement and assessment principles. In order for students to be eligible for these exams, they must meet the attendance requirements and complete the necessary applications as indicated in VETOPRATIK.
- g) Exams are conducted based on process-oriented principles according to the measurement and assessment regulations of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Erciyes University. The course success grade is calculated by the arithmetic average of the scores obtained in exams, based on the numerical system. Clinical courses are entirely practical, and final, make-up, and single-subject assessments must be process-oriented. The grading method is prepared by the course coordinator in accordance with the Faculty's Measurement and Assessment Regulations and announced to the students via web platforms or Erciyes University (ERUDM, ERUDEPO, E-MAIL) and Veterinary Faculty (VETOPRATIK) software.
- ğ) Students rotate through various units during their clinical courses, including initial examination, patient admission-triage, clinical examination, vaccination, pharmacy, small animal clinic, large animal clinic, laboratory, hospitalization, infectious diseases, radiology, ultrasound, and surgical units. The rotation schedule for clinical courses is announced at the beginning of the semester by the Chief Physician of the Veterinary Faculty Training, Research, and Application Hospital.



i) The clinical modules and rotations are carried out as specified in Table 1.

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Department	Rotasyon Modülü				
Internal Medicine	Group1	Group2	Group3	Group4	Group5
Surgery	Group2	Group3	Group4	Group5	Group1
Obstetrics and Gynecology	Group3	Group4	Group5	Group1	Group2
Reproduction and Artificial Insemination	Group4	Group5	Group1	Group2	Group3
Wildlife Diseases	Group5	Group1	Group2	Group3	Group4

\*: In semesters with clinical course applications, the relevant departments offering theoretical courses are included in the rotation.

### Principles of Clinical Duties

**ARTICLE 6 – (1)** As part of the 9th semester clinical course, students must undertake 120 hours of clinical duties. The clinical duties for the clinical courses are carried out under the supervision of faculty members from the Departments of Internal Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Reproduction and Artificial Insemination, and Wildlife Diseases, during emergency clinical hours on weekdays (evening and night shifts) and weekends, as per the lists announced.

**(2)** During the VHIE period (10th semester), internship students are also required to complete duties as specified in the internship regulations, including the designated hours (120 hours) and the specified rotation locations.

**(3)** Students are required to undertake their clinical and internship duties in accordance with the following rules:

**a)** Students must come to their duties dressed in appropriate attire (lab coat, scrubs, etc.) and protective equipment (mask, gloves, cap, etc.), and use these throughout the duty. They must adhere to the instructions of the responsible faculty member/veterinarian and the rules outlined in the Faculty biosecurity manual.

**b)** Students will undertake their duties according to the duty schedule prepared by the Hospital Chief Physician and Management.

**c)** Students will carry out their duties under the supervision of the responsible faculty member/veterinarian.

**ç)** Students must bring their personal equipment (stethoscope, thermometer, gloves, mask, shoe covers, pen, and clinical logbook, etc.) with them during their duties.

**d)** Students will rotate through designated duty locations. The duty veterinarian will assign students to their rotation areas at the start of the shift (In clinical duties, the rotations include first examination, patient admission-triage, clinical examination, vaccination, pharmacy, small animal clinic, large animal clinic, laboratory, hospitalization, infectious diseases, radiology, ultrasound, surgery; in emergency duties, rotations include triage, patient registration, vaccination, emergency examination, internal medicine hospitalization, and surgical hospitalization).

- a) **Students** will be present at their rotation locations under the supervision of a veterinarian and will perform the basic tasks required by the rotation site (initial examination, patient admission-triage, clinical examination, vaccination, pharmacy, laboratory, hospitalization, infectious diseases, radiology, ultrasound, surgery, emergency examination, cleaning of examination and hospitalization rooms and equipment according to animal welfare and biosecurity principles, feeding and monitoring of animals, walking the animals, ensuring asepsis-antisepsis for patients, preparing areas like examination tables for the next patient with necessary cleaning and disinfection, disposing of medical waste in the medical waste bin, placing medicine boxes and packaging in the designated bin, discarding used syringe tips in the appropriate container, etc.).
- b) **Students** will maintain a duty log during their shifts. They will report on each case they intervene with in the duty log, including the anamnesis, clinical examination, diagnosis, treatment, and epicrisis for each shift. They will also document the tasks they perform according to the specifics of the rotation location. At the end of the semester, they must submit their duty logs to the Department of Clinical Sciences. At the end of the semester, duty logs will be graded out of 100, and this grade will contribute 20% to the final, make-up, and single-subject exam grade.
- c) **Under the coordination of the Hospital Chief Physician**, the on-duty faculty members and veterinarians are responsible for ensuring that the hospital shifts are carried out properly and monitored.

### **THIRD CHAPTER**

#### **Miscellaneous and Final Provisions**

#### **Situations Not Covered by Provisions**

**ARTICLE 7 – (1)** In situations not covered by these regulations, decisions made by the Faculty Council shall be applied.

#### **Enactment**

**ARTICLE 8 – (1)** These regulations shall enter into force on the date they are approved by the Senate of Erciyes University and shall apply to all students enrolled in the faculty.

#### **Execution**

**ARTICLE 9 – (1)** These regulations shall be executed by the Dean of the Faculty.