

Additional Costs Guide (indicative only)

Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine (Honours)*

In addition to standard tuition fees and student fees, studying Veterinary Science involves a range of **additional costs** associated with practical learning, clinical placements, and professional requirements. These may include items such as protective clothing, equipment, vaccinations, travel, and accommodation for placements.

The table below provides **indicative costs only**. Actual expenses may vary depending on individual circumstances and are **subject to change** over time. Students are encouraged to budget accordingly and seek advice if they have concerns about meeting these requirements.

Vaccinations and First Aid

Vaccine	Predicted Cost	Provider
Q-Fever (compulsory)	\$280	The Lismore clinic
Tetanus (compulsory)	For individuals not covered by	Regular GP or the Lismore
	the NIP, vaccine can cost	clinic
	around \$50-\$75 per dose.	
Rabies (recommended if	Approx \$200-\$300	Travel Doctor
working with bats or if		
travelling/working overseas)		
First Aid Certificate (HLTAID011	\$100-\$200	TBC
– Provide First Aid): Renewal is		
required every 3 years (\$100-		
200)		
CPR (HLTAID009 – Provide	\$50-80	
Cardiopulmonary		
Resuscitation):		
Recommended Renewal		
required every 12 months		

Equipment, Supplies and Protective Gear

Item	Predicted cost	Supplier
Overalls	\$85	School locker @SCU, Bunnings,
Navy or Green:		Online
Long sleeve or half sleeve.		LOCAL
100% cotton options (185/190		Work Locker Ballina – UNIT
GSM) available online:		1/293 River St
 Hard Yakka Lightweight 		Totally Workwear –
Cotton Drill Coverall		Locations in Gold Coast,
		Lismore, and Ballina/Byron



Item	Predicted cost	Supplier
DNC Workwear 3104 Lightweight Cool- Breeze Cotton Drill Coverall Syzmik ZC560 Lightweight Cotton Drill Overall We recommend light weight due to temps in working in the field, but if you prefer 240gsm that is fine, just be aware of the temp!)		
Boots Steel cap boots (consider the ability to clean the tread of these boots when purchasing. Deep and intricated tread patterns can be difficult to clean and disinfect)	Ranges between \$70 and \$250	Bunnings, workwear stores, rural produce and supply stores
Gumboots	\$20-\$80	Kmart, Bunnings
Scrubs Scrub top and pants (navy or green plain – ie. No patterns)	\$50 each = \$100	
White Lab Coat	~\$35	School locker
Safety Goggles/glasses	~ \$15	Bunnings
Name badge	\$15	<u> </u>
Stethoscope	Range depending on quality ~\$20-\$200	
Nurse pouch (optional) complete with haemostats, bandage scissors, and a penlight.	TBC	
Anatomy dissection kit	~ \$30	
Surgical kit (or Minimum) Adson Brown forceps, needle drivers, and suture scissors.	\$45 ~ depends on range	Dick Smith/ Amazon (practice suture kit) or can purchase instruments separately
Scientific Calculator	~ \$25	School Locker, Big W, Kmart, Newsagent, stationery suppliers, officeworks



2. Placement & Practical Training Costs

Item	Predicted Cost	Other information
Travel, Accommodation and	Dependent on student.	Average out of pocket
living whilst on extra-mural	Estimated \$150/d living, plus	expenses for animal health
placement	travel (depending on location)	placements \$3000
10 weeks Animal Health		Average out of pocket
2 weeks pre-clinical		expenses for clinical
12 weeks clinical		placements \$6000- \$8000

3. Additional Training & Workshops

For consideration:

- Extracurricular Workshops & Conferences: Students may choose to attend veterinary workshops, conferences, or training sessions.
- Specialist Courses: Some students opt for additional certifications (e.g., wildlife handling)

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