

**PEDAGOGICAL MERIT REVIEW FORM**  
APPENDIX C

Pedagogical Merit Review (PMR) must be assessed by Departments prior to submitting a new Animal Utilization Protocol (AUP) Teaching Form to the Animal Care Committee.

- **Submit the PMR Form and AUP Teaching Form and any other pertinent information (i.e. course material, lab manual or other relevant material) to your Department Chair.**
- **After the PMR Form has been approved attach it to the hard copy of the AUP Teaching Form when submitting to the Animal Care Committee.**

An Animal Utilization Protocol (AUP) must be reviewed and approved by the Animal Care Committee (ACC) prior to the use of live animals in courses offered by the University of Prince Edward Island.

Under the CCAC guidelines it states:

*“The use of animals for educational purposes is markedly different in its objectives than the use of animals in research or testing. Animals used for educational purposes are not being used to discover, prove or develop new ideas or techniques, but rather to demonstrate principles which are already well-known or to learn manual skills and techniques. The repetitive use of animals in this manner should be based on sound ethical justification and proven educational objectives. There should be justification provided for the use of animals over the use of alternatives such as models, videos, computer simulations and emulations, etc. The level and type of training of the students (graduate/postgraduate, specialized/non-specialized) are important considerations in ascertaining the need to use animals.*

*Painful experiments or multiple invasive procedures on an individual animal, conducted solely for the instruction of students in the classroom, or for the demonstration of established scientific knowledge, cannot be justified.”*

**Course Number and Name:**

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**Instructor(s):**

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**Provide justification for the course:**

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Members of the Department of \_\_\_\_\_

have reviewed the Animal Utilization Protocol with the above listed course and have determined that the use of animals in this course is acceptable and meets rigorous and sound learning objectives.

**Department Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

(signature)

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

(mm/dd/yyyy)