

Experiential learning course focused on equine husbandry skills and general horsemanship. Assignments are a mix of student presentations (group and individual) as well as a semester long research project with a written paper and presentation as an outcome. Students are divided into groups of 3 and assigned a horse to care for throughout the entire semester.

Horse Barn Coop Fall and Spring 2016-present, Summer 2018 and 2022
ASC021/1450, Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, University of Vermont
Faculty Barn Manager for student cooperative barn; oversee weekly student meetings;
meet weekly with farm facility staff and faculty; resolve disputes between students; act

instruction during class time, oversee, and coordinate the completion of weekly chores, and are a liaison between Coop and Equus.

Equine Management and Programming

Fall 2022, present

ASC 297/499Q, Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, University of Vermont
Faculty Barn Manager for student cooperative and teaching barn; oversee weekly executive meetings with the student barn managers, Equus Advisors, and Dressage Team Captains; problem solve routine issues; schedule practitioners; review and revise essential documents, safety policies, and biosecurity protocols; collaborate with farm staff; maintain horse health, fitness, and welfare; assess nutritional needs, work with local vendors, and order feed for 22 horses; oversee and manage daily chores; maintain 10 acres of pasture; determine and manage turnout groups.

Equine Training Techniques

Fall 2016, 2018, 2020, and 2022

ASCI 119/420, Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, University of Vermont
Provides students an understanding of horse behavior as it pertains to shaping/modifying the desired response. This class presents fundamental training techniques for working with horses of all ages and levels of training but focuses mainly on starting the young horse and teaching that individual the "basics/fundamentals".

Equine Instructing Techniques

Spring 2018, 2020, and 2022

ASCI 125/430, Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, University of Vermont
Hands

Students learn about all aspects of equine farm management and operation. Topics include: safety, horse welfare, horse health management, vital signs, biosecurity, equine nutrition, daily horse care, purchasing and feeding grain, hay, and supplements, equine nutrition, blanketing for the barn and turnout, leg and hoof safety, stall cleaning, bedding, flooring, facility management and layout / design, facility maintenance, pasture management, fencing, layout, and design, facility lighting, ventilation and heat, arena footing and maintenance, paperwork (i.e. sales contracts, board agreements, risk release, farm rules, applications, etc.) and insurance.

Equine Industry Issues

Spring 2017, 2019, and 2021

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Committee member; Committee Chair for 2021; review and assess current course

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