

# Equestrian Studies (ES)

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The Equestrian Studies' objectives are to produce graduates with a broad base of knowledge in horsemanship, an attitude of professionalism, and to provide a gateway into the equine industry.

The ES program uses classes at the Equestrian center and main campus to give students a broad education on equine related topics. Although a diverse education continues throughout the program, majors must choose an area of concentration. Three concentrations are offered. The **Equine Management Concentration** is for students most interested in business, facility and show management. The **Dressage Concentration** is for students most interested in developing a classical foundation of theory and ability in training, teaching and competing dressage. The **Eventing Concentration** is for students who wish to develop a classical foundation of theory and ability in training, teaching and competing in Eventing. An **ES minor** is also offered.

Students are offered the experience of clinics, workshops and seminars in addition to classes. Participation in shows, intercollegiate competitions, combined tests; horse trials, trek, and drill-rides are available to students who have achieved excellence. Self-motivation and athleticism are necessary for ES students to succeed. Guidance for specialized certification or post-graduate education is offered. Passing an "exit exam" is mandatory before graduating with an ES major.

Possible career choices include equine insurance; pharmaceutical, equipment or feed sales; tourism; training; teaching; equine journalism; ownership/management of tack or feed stores, and racing, showing, boarding, or breeding stables.

Incoming freshmen are required to take a riding test and will be placed, according to their experience, into one of the Horsemastership courses. Equestrian Studies Majors and Minors must maintain a 2.5 GPA in Equestrian Studies. In addition ES Majors must also pass an exit exam before graduation.

### **Core Requirements for All Concentrations for Majors in Equestrian Studies:**

In addition to the general education requirements, the following ES Core Courses are required of all ES Majors:

	Semester Hours
ES 105 Practical Concepts	2
ES 109 Horse Mastership IV	2
ES 111 Careers: Integrating Personal Goals	1
ES 115 Stable Management	3
ES 208 Equine Anatomy & Physiology	4
ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application	1
ES 224 Teaching Elementary Riding	3
ES 326 Equine Lameness & Disease	4
ES 420 Equine Nutrition	3
ES 470 Internship	<u>3</u>
	26
Total ES Core Requirement Hours: 26	

### **Management Concentration Requirements in Equestrian Studies:**

In addition to the general education requirements and the equestrian studies core courses, the following Management Concentration courses are required:

	Semester Hours
ES 206 Rider Fitness	1
ES 304 Advanced Stable Management	3
ECO 201 Microeconomics	3
BSA 206 Business Communications	3
BSA 221 Principles of Accounting I	3
BSA 305 Principles of Management	3
BSA 310 Principles of Marketing	3
BSA 324 Business Finance	3
BSA 326 Organizational Behavior, Theory & Leadership	3
BSA 354 Human Resources Management	3
BSA 434 Business Law	3
BSA 401 Strategies for Equine Business Management	<u>3</u>
	<b>34</b>
Total Management Concentration Hours: 34	

## **Sample Four-Year Course Sequence: Equestrian Studies Management Concentration**

### Freshman Year:

- ES 105 Practical Concepts
- ES 109 Horsemastership IV
- ES 111 Equine Careers
- ES 115 Stable Management
- BSA 206 Business Communication

### Sophomore Year:

- ECO 201 Principles of Microeconomics
- ES 206 Rider Fitness
- ES 208 Equine Anatomy and Physiology
- ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application
- BSA 221 Principles of Accounting I
- ES 224 Teaching Elementary Riding

### Junior Year:

- ES 304 Advanced Stable Management
- BSA 305 Principles of Management
- BSA 310 Principles of Marketing
- BSA 326 Organizational Behavior, Theory & Leadership
- ES 326 Equine Lameness and Disease
- ES 470 Internship

### Senior Year:

- BSA 324 Business Finance
- BSA 354 Human Resource Management
- ES 401 Strategies for Equine Business Management
- ES 420 Equine Nutrition
- BSA 434 Business Law

### **Dressage Concentration Requirements in Equestrian Studies:**

In addition to the general education requirements and the equestrian studies core courses, the following Dressage Concentration courses are required:

	Semester Hours
ES 109 Horsemastership IV	2
ES 206 Rider Fitness	1
ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application	1
ES 213 Dressage Through 1 <sup>st</sup> Level	3
ES 313 Dressage Through 2 <sup>nd</sup> Level	3
ES 330 Riding Instruction Programs	3
ES 323 Advancing the Dressage Horse	2
ES 304 Advanced Stable Management	3
ES 401 Strategies for Equine Business Management	3
ES 418 Instructor Certification Programs	3
ES 423 Instructor's Apprentice I	2
 <u>Choose one of the following:</u>	
ES 214 Fundamentals of Eventing OR	
ES 260 Young stock	2
 <u>Choose one of the following:</u>	
POS 325 Perspectives on Leadership	
JR 115 News and Feature Writing	
JR 210 Photography	
PE 365 Sports Psychology	<u>3</u>
	31
Total Dressage Concentration Hours: 31	

## **Sample Four-Year Course Sequence: Equestrian Studies Dressage Concentration**

### Freshman Year:

- ES 105 Practical Concepts
- ES 109 Horsemastership IV
- ES 111 Equine Careers
- ES 115 Stable Management

### Sophomore Year:

- ES 206 Rider Fitness
- ES 208 Equine Anatomy and Physiology
- ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application
- ES 213 Dressage Through 1<sup>st</sup> Level
- ES 224 Teaching Elementary Riding

### Junior Year:

- ES 304 Advanced Stable Management
- ES 313 Dressage Through 2<sup>nd</sup> Level
- ES 323 Advancing the Dressage Horse
- ES 326 Equine Lameness and Disease
- ES 330 Riding Instruction Programs
- ES 470 Internship
- Dressage Concentration Choice

### Senior Year:

- ES 401 Strategies for Equine Business Management
- ES 418 Instructor Certification Programs
- ES 420 Equine Nutrition
- ES 423 Instructor's Apprentice I
- Dressage Concentration choice

## **Eventing Concentration Requirements in Equestrian Studies:**

In addition to the general education requirements and the equestrian studies core courses, the following Eventing Concentration courses are required:

	Semester Hours
ES 109 Horsemastership IV	2
ES 206 Rider Fitness	1
ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application	1
ES 214 Fundamentals of Eventing	2
ES 304 Advanced Stable Management	3
ES 316 Training the Event Horse I	3
ES 330 Riding Instruction Programs	3
ES 401 Strategies of Equine Business Management	3
ES 416 Training the Event Horse II	3
ES 418 Preparation for USEA/CIP Instructors	3
ES 423 Instructor's Apprentice I	2

Select one of the following:

ES 213 Dressage through 1 <sup>st</sup> level OR	
ES 260 Young Stock	2

Choose one of the following:

JR 115 News and Feature Writing	
JR 210 Photography	
PE 365 Sports Psychology	
POS 325 Perspectives on Leadership	<u>3</u>
	31

Total Event Concentration Hours: 31

## **Sample Four-Year Course Sequence: Equestrian Studies Event Concentration**

### Freshman Year:

- ES 105 Practical Concepts
- ES 109 Horsemastership IV
- ES 111 Equine Careers
- ES 115 Stable Management

### Sophomore Year:

- ES 206 Rider Fitness
- ES 208 Equine Anatomy and Physiology
- ES 211 Lunge Theory and Application
- ES 214 Fundamentals of Eventing
- ES 224 Teaching Elementary Riding

### Junior Year:

- ES 304 Advanced Stable Management
- ES 316 Training the Event Horse I
- ES 326 Equine Lameness and Disease
- ES 330 Riding Instruction Programs
- ES 470 Internship
- Eventing Concentration Choice

### Senior Year:

- ES 401 Strategies for Equine Business Management
- ES 416 Training the Event Horse II
- ES 418 Instructor Certification programs
- ES 420 Equine Nutrition
- ES 423 Instructor's Apprentice I
- Eventing Concentration Choice

