

**INTERMEDIATE HORSEBACK RIDING**  
**Syllabus**  
**Fall 2010**

**Description:**

This course is designed to give students increased skills and knowledge of horsemanship and riding. It is designed for the intermediate student who can understand and apply the basic beginner skills in a competent manner. Topics covered will review and improve knowledge levels in barn safety, horse health care, and riding skills/techniques. There will be mounted as well as some unmounted lessons. Students will gain valuable information for which to build upon in their horsemanship endeavors. An intermediate rider should be able to walk and trot on their own in complete control. They should know their posting diagonals, and should have some experience riding without stirrups. Students will improve their flat work skills and may be introduced to jumping if the instructor feels they are ready ( you should be able to canter without your stirrups).

This syllabus is only a guideline and any or all course work is subject to change depending on class/individual advancement. Horseback riding is both a challenging and rewarding experience! Please don't hesitate to ask any questions you may have.

**Course Objectives:**

- Improve knowledge and safety skills in and around the barn
- Review and learn new skills in basic horse health care and the importance of grooming and proper equipment care
- Improve basic riding skills and strengthen rider
- Be introduced to basic jumping skills and techniques
- To have fun, learn and enjoy being around the horses!

**Grading Policy:**

Grades will depend on several factors, but primarily will be based on skill and knowledge gained. Students will also be evaluated on attitude and willingness to learn and help others. There will be one written knowledge test and three skills evaluations throughout the semester. I will also expect a journal of daily lessons (can be note form, but needs to show basic understanding of concepts and skills learned each lesson) to be handed in before the end of the semester.

<b>Final:</b>	20%
<b>Skill/Attendance:</b>	60%
<b>Attitude:</b>	10%
<b>Journal:</b>	10%

### **Attendance/absence Policy:**

Attendance will be taken for each class. Students are allowed three unexcused absences. After three absences your grade will drop by 1/3. Missed classes will be made up only if time and/or horses are available. The instructor should be given in advance a notice of absence and intent to reschedule.

### **Facility Rules and Regulations:**

- **NO SMOKING ON THE PROPERTY**
- Classes will be held at Quail Roost Riding School on Quail Roost Farm in Rougemont, NC.
- Please drive **slowly** into and out of the farm.
- Proper riding attire must be worn including pants, ASTM/SEI approved hard hat, and boots with a heel. Sandals, sneakers, cowboy boots, dress shoes or chunky shoes will not be allowed. Cell phones must be turned off while riding or working at our facility.
- Each student is responsible for his/her own transportation. Carpools should be established and make sure to notify others in your carpool if you have to miss a class.
- If UNC cancels classes due to inclement weather, then there will be no riding lesson that day. If you are unsure if there will be a class held during inclement weather, try the following: Call the barn # 919 477-8932, call the instructor, Kate, at 919 972-1932
- Be considerate, respectful and nice to all on the farm. Remember this is a working facility with several operations on one farm.

### **Horseback Riding Fee Policies:**

1. The fee for the riding course is \$585.00. Fees may be paid by cash or check made out to UNC-CH. Students will receive a receipt for amount paid.
2. A deposit of **\$270.00 is due by Jan. 15th, and \$315.00 due by Mar. 15th.**
3. Students who do not pay the fee will not be able to ride until course is paid for.
4. Students who drop or withdraw from the class may request a refund from the Department of EXSS. Students will be refunded their fee minus a charge per class attended (as verified by the riding instructor) and a \$15.00 administrative fee.

## **Contact Information:**

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