

ANEQ 341 – Horse Training and Sales Preparation II
Syllabus – Spring 2018

- Catalog Description:** Prerequisite: ANEQ 340. Skills in training for specific riding maneuvers, conditioning and fitting for sale.
- Lecture/Lab:** MWF: Section 1; 10:00 – 11:40 am, ETRC
Section 2; 1:00 – 2:40 am, ETRC
Section 3; 3:00 – 4:40 pm, ETRC
M: Recitation; 5:30-6:30 pm, Adams Classroom
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- Required Equipment:** Western boots (western type mandatory with heel and slick sole, NO crepe sole boots)
Jeans
Hoof pick
Halter and Lead rope 8 to 10 feet long, ½ to ¾ inch diameter
Helmet (ASTM, FEI approved)
- Objectives:** To provide students the opportunity to develop practical training techniques with horses. Emphasis will be on training for stock work. Students will also learn techniques for fitting young horses for sale. Students will work at a reasonable pace with his/her assigned horse. There will be practical exams, which will help assess the training process. We will be using training techniques used in this class. The **finished product** will be a direct result of the time and effort spent by the student trainer.
- Upon completion of this course students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate and discuss round pen techniques
 2. Demonstrate and discuss techniques used in saddling and bridling a young horse
 3. Demonstrate proper stable maintenance
 4. Demonstrate proper techniques used when halter breaking and leading a young horse and presenting this horse to perspective buyers
 5. Demonstrate proper techniques used in grooming and fitting of a young horse for sale
 6. Demonstrate and discuss proper record keeping concerning the health, fitness and nutrition of a young horse
 7. Demonstrate the ability to discuss a horses pedigree with perspective buyers
 8. Demonstrate proper riding techniques used when riding a young horse, such as forward motion, guiding, lateral control, leads, balanced stop, turn on the hindquarters, backing, and walk, trot and lope circles in both directions

At the conclusion of spring semester, horses will:

1. Be gentle, halter broke and trained to tie
2. Stand for hoof trimming and shoeing
3. Stand for handling
4. Load into a trailer
5. Stand for clipping
6. Walk, trot and lope symmetrical circles and around the arena in a balanced frame
7. Lope in both leads
8. Stop, back and stand quietly
9. Begin turning on the hindquarters
10. Give to pressure
11. Exhibit forward and lateral motion
12. Perform basic trail obstacles
13. Be quiet, broke, and soft to ride

Grading Criteria:

Assignments are due on the date designated in the syllabus. If you miss a class or day the assignment is due it is your responsibility to get the assignment turned in. 10% will be deducted from assignments once the due date has passed. **Assignments will not be accepted if arrangements have not been made before the assignment date.** If necessary, changes in due dates will be posted and communicated to all class participants.

All written assignments should be emailed to Mr. Snyder in a Microsoft Word document. The document should be saved as your name i.e. (John Snyder.doc). The subject line of the email must contain the assignment name i.e. (Letter to Consignor I).

Assignments:

Letter to Consignor I	50 points
Letter to Consignor II	50
Sale Fitting Assignment	25
Goal Assignment	25
Evaluation I	50
Evaluation II	50
Evaluation III	50
Feed week I	100
Feed week II	100
Weekly Horse Condition and Stall care	150
Practical Final (<i>Student Competition</i>)	100
LOR Horse Sale Participation	100

850 points

Letter to Consignor:

Your initial consignor letter is due Friday, February 9.

Your final consignor letter is due Friday, April 27.

Students will be responsible for writing two letters during the semester. The first is about the progress of their horse the second is a wrap up letter after the sale. In these reports you will include information about what you have been working on and how the horse is progressing. These reports will be turned in to Mr. Snyder in a word document, via email on the date listed for review and mailing. They will be graded on content, format, punctuation, spelling and grammar. Please reference your manual for formatting details.

Feed Week:

Students will be required to feed all horses in the barn for **TWO** weeks during the semester and during Sale week. The week will consist of feeding, watering and barn maintenance and will extend from Monday thru Sunday. If you do not show up to feed on the days you are assigned, 25 points for each feeding missed will automatically be deducted from the feed week assignment. Sign up for designated weeks will be due **Friday, January 19** and expectations for barn feeding and care will be covered in class at that time.

Evaluations:

Evaluation I is due: Friday, February 23

Evaluation I: Students will place the saddle on from both sides, cinch the horse, then ground work in hand. In addition you will mount from both sides, demonstrate lateral flexion from both sides and then disengage the hindquarters from both sides while mounted in a round-pen. Additionally, you will demonstrate the ability to ride on a loose rein at all three gaits in both directions

10 possible points for each area:

- Saddle/Warm-up
- Mount/Disengage hindquarters
- Walk
- Trot
- Lope

Evaluation II is due: Friday, March 30

Evaluation II: Students will ride in the arena. While riding you will demonstrate the horse giving laterally to the bridle while standing and then with forward motion, forward motion and steering at all gaits, stop from all gaits, moving laterally off of the leg at the walk and trot, and back. You should demonstrate a soft feel with your horse through the whole process.

10 possible points for each area:

- Walk
- Trot
- Lope
- Stop/Back
- Overall control

Evaluation III is due Wednesday, April 11

Evaluation III; Students will demonstrate under saddle simulating sale preview and Wagonhound competition. Improvement from Evaluation II is expected. This evaluation will be **filmed**. Knowledge of pedigree, consignor, sale order etc. will also be evaluated.

10 possible points for each area:

- Walk/Trot/Lope
- Obstacle Work
- Speech/Showmanship
- Appearance
- Overall control

Goal Assignment:

The goal assignment is due Friday, January 26.

The goal assignment will consist of a one-page paper outlining your short and long term goals for you and your sale prospect **and steps you plan to take** to accomplish your goals. Focus on things you can control (accurate circles, willing over poles, knowledge of pedigree etc.). Avoid things you have little control over (placing in student competition, sale price etc.).

Sale Fitting Assignment:

The sale fitting assignment is due Friday, February 16.

The sale fitting assignment will entail a one-page paper discussing your understanding of sale fitting techniques discussed and used in class.

Weekly Horse Condition and Stall Cleaning Grade:

Students will receive a weekly grade worth approximately 10 pts/week based on the condition of the horse i.e. body and hair coat as well as the condition of their stall. This will be evaluated based on expectations presented in class.

Final:

Wagonhound Student Competition Saturday, April 14

Students will compete in a two-part competition (Showmanship and Riding). Each portion will be evaluated based on a score sheet covered in class and recitation. Your grade will not be based upon placing.

20 possible points for each area:

- Riding portion
- Showmanship portion
- Appearance
- Overall control
- Attitude/Professionalism

Sale Participation:

LOR Sale Saturday, April 21

Students will participate in the 12th Annual Legends of Ranching Sale. Grading will be pass/fail based on attendance, appearance, attitude, professionalism and overall presentation of assigned horse.

Class Policies:

Attendance during specified class time is mandatory. If you must be absent, call and let the instructor know before the absence. Under University policy, there are no excused absences. *For every unexcused absence after the first three, the final grade will be dropped one letter grade per absence. More than 6 absences is an automatic Fail. Students are expected to be punctual. Unexcused tardiness over 20 minutes will be considered an unexcused absence.*

Western **boots are required** at all times (NO, crepe sole boots) and students' appearance must be neat, clean and well fitted. Long shirttails, sloppy, torn and tattered clothing is potentially dangerous and will not be allowed. Midriff blouses and tank tops will not be allowed. Long hair must be pulled back or contained while riding. **All tack (bridles, halters, brushes, etc.) must be put away neatly every day. All manure left by horses must be cleaned up from work areas and tie-rails. Clean-up crews will be assigned if necessary. Protective head gear (helmet) is mandatory.**

Demonstrations will be held at the beginning of class time and you must attend. If you do not show up for class, his/her horse will be worked by instructors or teaching assistants because the horse must show expected progress at scheduled times. Riding ability of student must be at advanced level in order to ride and handle an unbroken horse. This will be assessed in the first few weeks of class. You are not to work horses without supervision. This means an instructor or assistant is present or aware you are working the horse. This is for your safety. Hours other than class hours are additional and may be necessary for some horses; however, horses must not be taken off the ETCR premises nor ridden on weekends when there is no instructor supervision. Horses will not be taken from the immediate Equine Center area at any time during their training process unless under organized and supervised direction. **The instructor may change horses and riders periodically during the semester to ensure a consistent level of training among the horse. Please remember that the horses belong to our clients and it is our responsibility as students and faculty to ensure progress in their training.**

All Sale horses will be brought into the Adams-Atkinson arena and stalled until sale time. You will be required to take care of their horse and are responsible for stall cleaning and maintenance during the week this includes weekends. Additionally, you will be required to feed all the sale horses in the barn for two weeks as well as clean stalls on those weekends during the semester. This will be done as a team or in pairs.

Academic Integrity:

CSU policy on academic integrity, found in the Student Rights and Responsibilities section of the University General Catalog (<http://www.catalog.colostate.edu>), applies to this course. All incidents of academic misconduct (e.g., cheating, plagiarism, unauthorized possession or distribution of academic materials, falsification, facilitation of cases of academic misconduct, etc.) may result in a failing grade on the relevant assignment, exam

or for the course. Furthermore, all incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to the Office of Conflict Resolution and Student Conduct Services. Students sign assignments and tests to declare that the work was completed independently and without unauthorized aid. This represents student commitment to honorable and trustworthy behavior, in the spirit of the Honor Pledge. The course instructor will list items such as class and study group notes, review assignments, formula sheets, and (or) tests from previous courses, that can be shared without violating academic integrity.

Weekly Class Calendar (all dates are tentative and are subject to change)

Week of:

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| January 15 | Introduction and discussion of safety and rules
Begin working horses
Weigh colts and lecture on Feed Week by Wayne Miller January 19
Signup for Feed Week due Friday, January 19th |
| January 22 | Review ride in round pen; Review disengage hindquarters; work on forward motion and guiding (following the nose)
Move horses into Adams Barn beginning Monday
Goal Assignment due Friday, January 26th
Group 1 Feed Week |
| January 29 | Clip and prepare for sale catalog photos
Continue riding in round pen, progress with lateral flexion (softening to the bridle) and control
CINCH Tour at 7:30 on Friday, February 2nd
Group 2 Feed Week |
| February 5 | MANDATORY Sale Catalog Pictures/Videos (Wednesday, February 7th in class)
Work on forward motion, guiding, lateral flexion
Guest lecture Friday, February 9
Initial consignor letter due Friday, February 9th
Group 3 Feed Week |
| February 12 | Continue work on forward motion, guiding, and lateral flexion, balanced stops and soft responsive back
Sale Fitting Assignment due Friday, February 16th
Group 4 Feed Week |
| February 19 | Continue balanced stops and soft back; begin work on turn on the hindquarters
Float teeth February 20
Evaluation I due by end of class Friday, February 23rd
Group 5 Feed Week |
| February 26 | Continue work on balanced stops, soft back and turn on the hindquarters and rollbacks
Focus on riding outside of round pens
Introduce square drill at the trot
Float teeth March 1
Group 6 Feed Week |
| March 5 | Focus on riding outside of round pens |

- Introduce obstacles (trailer/poles/bridge)
Group 2 Feed week
- March 12 Spring Break
 Additional ride time available by appointment with Mr. Snyder
Group 1 Feed Week
- March 19 Focus on riding in the arena. Work with obstacles.
Tuesday/Thursday open riding becomes available in the Pickett arena from 2-4pm
Group 3 Feed Week
- March 26 March 26 guest lecture with Dr. Luke Bass re. prepurchase/presale exams
 Focus on riding in the arena.
 Continue balanced stops, soft back, turn on the hindquarters, rollbacks, and trail
Evaluation II due by end of class Friday, March 31st
Group 4 Feed Week
- April 2 Focus on riding in the arena.
 Continue balanced stops, soft back, turn on the hindquarters, rollbacks, and obstacles
 Introduce snaffle
Group 5 Feed Week
- April 9 Prepare for competition
 Clip horses prior to competition and sale
Evaluation III due by end of class Wednesday, April 11th
Saturday April 14 Wagonhound Land and Livestock Student Competition
Tentatively at 8 am (MANDATORY)
Group 6 Feed Week
- April 16 Sale Week
 Prepare for sale and demonstration
 Bathe horses prior to sale
Friday, April 20 Consignor's Dinner, LOR Futurity and Maturity Show
Saturday, April 21 Legends of Ranching Performance Horse Sale
(MANDATORY)
ALL STUDENTS FEED
- April 23 Sale Wrap-up
Final Letter to Consignors Due Friday, April 27th
- May 7 University Finals and Commencement

Horses are trained in university equipment and are ridden in the indoor and outdoor arenas. Students must ride on CSU property. Students must always wear helmets, let instructor know when riding horse during unscheduled times and must ride in pairs. **Check the white board EACH DAY before going out to get your horse. Occasionally, the instructor will be away on University business. In these situations the teacher assistants will instruct the class. Class may be held in the classroom or cancelled due to weather, health of horses or unforeseen circumstances.**