EQUINE MANAGEMENT...NOW WHAT?

Equine management includes safe horse handling, daily stable operations, record keeping, nutrition, vaccination and deworming protocols, and breeding herd management.

The UMass Amherst Equine Science concentration is based on knowledge of basic scientific concepts applied to the equine species and combined with hands-on stable management experience. Students learn the scientific concepts and practical application of the management, nutrition, veterinary care, breeding, and handling of horses through comprehensive coursework and technical training at the UMass Hadley Farm Equine Center. Students work alongside equine health and reproductive specialists to learn herd and health management and the breeding industry including stallion collection, artificial insemination, pregnancy, and foaling.

Who Could I Work For? (Fields and Sample Employers)

Career options for students in the Equine Science concentration include: veterinarian, nutritionist, equine rehabilitation practitioner, chiropractor, equine marketing specialist, breed association professional, equine science teacher, equine-assisted therapy director, and pharmaceutical research/sales.

- Large Animal Care  (UVM Morgan Horse Farm)
- Horse Breeding  (Trum-Searah Farm, Black Magic Friesian Sporthorses)
- Horse Feed and Dietary Consulting
- Equine Journalism and Photography
- Farm/Animal Welfare Inspection
- Equestrian Riding, Grooming, Training, and Judging  (Cater Stables, Cottonwood Creek Ranch (OK), Beechwood Stables, Emerald Hill Farm)
- Tak and Equipment Production and Sales  (Smartpak, Hardwick Farmers Co-op, Beval Saddlery)
- Equine Education  (Sam & Myra Ross Institute @ Green Chimneys, Brewster, NY)
- Therapeutic Riding Instruction  (Pegasus Therapeutic Riding, Lovelane Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program)

Career Planning Resources & Websites

UMass Amherst CNS Career Center  www.cns.umass.edu/careers
UMass Handshake Database of Internships & Jobs  https://umass.joinhandshake.com/
FOCUS2 Career and Education Planning  www.umass.edu/careers/planning for sign-in button
What Can I Do With This Major?  https://www.umass.edu/careers/planning
(Click on "What Can I do with this Major" icon on the right-hand column.)

UMass VASCI Opportunities Page  www.vasci.umass.edu/undergraduate
Careers in Animal Science  https://www.vasci.umass.edu/sites/vasci/
Animal Care Occupations  
Farming/ Agriculture Occupations  
Vet Tech Occupations  
O-Net: Vet Technologists and Technicians  
Massachusetts Career Information System  
(Click Mass Resident to login with “Amherst/01003” Then click “Occupations” or “Assessments”)

Animal Science Career Guide  
Animal Behavior Institute  
Study of Employment Opportunities in USA 2015-20  
Net Vet: Veterinary Career Resources  
Student Resources in Animal Science  
The Fields of Animal Science

Equine Career Info  
https://www.thebalance.com/careers-with-horses-125742  
https://www.thebalancecareers.com/equine-careers-4161784  
https://www.thebalancecareers.com/equine-career-list-125770  
https://www.thebalancecareers.com/unalusual-equine-careers-125781  
https://equusmagazine.com/horse-world/eqdegree3272  
https://www.thebalancecareers.com/equine-veterinarian-125796

Equine Job Sites  
http://www.equistaff.com/jobsinunitedstates.aspx  
https://www.thebalancecareers.com/equine-job-search-sites-125518  
http://www.theequinest.com/c/  
https://www.yardandgroom.com/  
https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/equine-jobs/  
https://job.trovit.com/index.php/cod_search_jobs/type.0/what_d_horse/sug.0/isUserSearch.1/origin.2  
http://www.ranchwork.com/

Equine Internships  
http://www.kemi.org/  
https://www.thebalance.com/equine-internships-125690  
http://www.defhr.org/learn/internships/available-internships/  
http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/animal-science-internships/available-internships/

Equine Companies with Job Listings  
https://www.equineadvocates.org/about-us/employment-opportunities/  
https://www.hagyard.com/about/job-opportunities
What Do Employers Look For? (NACE 2020 Job Outlook for Students)

**Top 10 Things Employers Look For on Your Resume**
- Problem-solving skills
- Ability to work in a team
- Strong work ethic
- Analytical/quantitative skills
- Communication skills (written)
- Leadership
- Communication skills (verbal)
- Initiative
- Detail-oriented
- Technical skills

**Experience Is (Almost) Required**

When employers have equally qualified candidates, they choose the candidate with internship experience. In 2019, 56 percent of interns and 40 percent of co-op students became full-time, entry-level hires.