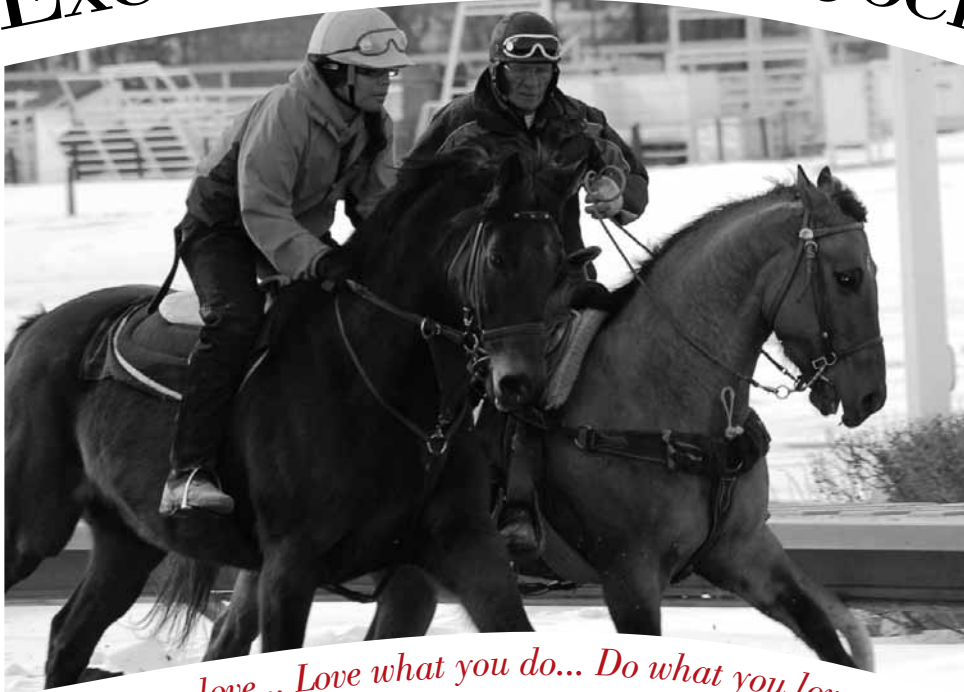


Exercise Rider and Jockey Certificate Training



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CAREERS WITH HORSES!

Your love of horses could put you on the fast track to a successful future. A passion for horses is alive and well with Olds College and Horse Racing Alberta and we're proud to offer you opportunities to define your career in the equine industry with these apprenticeship type 15-week programs.

Program Description

The 15-week Exercise Rider and Jockey Training Program will give you the confidence, fitness and skills to be an entry-level exercise rider. Your knowledge from this course, riding skills and physicality to be a jockey at Alberta Horse Racing tracks will come with practice, and industry confidence. Under the instruction and supervision of professionals in horse racing you will learn the theory and practices to develop your riding skills.

This program focuses on safety while building the skills you need to perform the role of an exercise rider and/or a potential jockey. You will be gradually introduced to more challenging riding conditions as your abilities and confidence grows. You will be expected to demonstrate mastery of specific competencies through individual riding assessment prior to advancing to more challenging horses and riding conditions.

Part one

Theory, riding, and fitness: You will hone your riding skills to be able to gallop horses indoors at Olds College.

Part Two

Theory, riding, and fitness: You will learn at the College and Olds Agriculture Society complex and track (weather permitting).

Part Three

Theory and riding: You will learn at a training track with your instructors after successful completion of the riding test (the license test). You will then be embedded in the industry working with current trainers at the track galloping their horses. To graduate you must maintain a passing grade in all skills, and tests and have maintained a riding log that you have galloped 60 horses.

Application Deadline!

September 1st

Testing occurs in:

September and October



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Career Opportunities

Horse racing is one of the largest spectator sports in North America. For you, that means solid employment opportunities. Strong work ethic and competitiveness; the best riders command the best opportunities and pay.

The racing season will keep you busy, but there are also opportunities for graduates to be employed by training farms that operate year-round. Trainers typically pay gallop riders in Alberta a fee per horse per exercise session.

Entrepreneurial skills will be required. Most trainers prefer to exercise and/or gallop their horses six to seven days per week. The wage range could be \$2000- \$4000 per month.

Dates

➤ The program starts in January and coincides with spring training at the race track at Northlands Park.

For More Information

www.oldscollege.ca/equine-short-courses

Phone: 1-800-661-6537.

Alberta Advanced Education and Technology recognize this program.

Admission Requirements

Small classes promote quality education. Being selected for this program will require a combination of aptitude and desire. You must:

- be 18 years of age or older.
- complete and submit an application form by September 1st.
- have advanced rider skills (including appropriate information and references)
- Successfully complete a four-part evaluation including: a riding test (this program is offered for those with considerable riding and horsemanship skills), an interview, a fitness test and a basic medical evaluation (to ensure there is no injury or underlying conditions to prevent you from working in the race industry).

This is a competitive entry program. Testing for the program is conducted in September and October.



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