

Farrier Science

Two Year Diploma



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FAST TRACK YOUR CAREER!

Start your rewarding career as a Farrier at Olds College. If you enjoy working with horses, enjoy physical labour and want to earn a good wage, the Farrier Science diploma program will give you the edge you need. Our hands-on training techniques, state-of-the-art facilities and experienced instructors have made Olds College one of the premier farrier schools in North America.

Program Description

We are excited to announce that Olds College is moving to a two year Farrier Science Diploma program beginning fall 2010. The one year certificate program was last offered in fall 2009 and will no longer be available. Program changes are a result of positive encouragement from industry to equip our graduates with even more relevant training in this complex field.

The two year Farrier Science diploma program offers extensive training and practical skills that lead to an exciting career in the farrier industry. Graduates either work with another farrier or start their own business. Farriers are in high demand throughout Canada. Graduates finish the program with well paid careers.

The program is designed to teach theory, skills and practical experience to become a professional farrier.

In-depth instruction is given in farriery, blacksmithing, anatomy, physiology, horsemanship, welding, record-keeping and business management. Students will learn to recognize and deal with hoof and gait problems.

This two year program commences in October for an initial eight weeks of instruction followed by 15 more weeks on campus from January to April. Students then complete a five month directed field study before returning to the college to complete another eight weeks of instruction starting in October. Students complete their final semester from January to April before completing three months of directed field study. The unique blend of training between on-campus and directed field study within industry creates a highly effective learning environment.

What people say about us...

"It's a longer program than others that are offered, so students have more to draw on when they're finished. The apprenticeship is good because you get a hands-on feel for the business. You find out exactly what it's like to work as a farrier."

— Brian Rusnak
— Still Meadows Ranch



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Career Opportunities

You may want to establish your own professional farrier operation. Many graduates have found this the most rewarding financially. You can also find opportunities with:

- Race tracks ➤
- Breeding ranches ➤
- Farms ➤

Other areas where horses are part of everyday life ➤

Admission Requirements

Applicants must:

- a) be 18 years of age or older
- b) demonstrate knowledge of the farrier profession
- c) complete an on-campus verbal interview
- d) exhibit sufficient experience with horses at time of entrance to the College to adequately cope with the course material offered. Applicants will be asked to handle a horse and respond to questions regarding conformation, disposition and soundness.
- e) demonstrate competency for handling tools.

Must have the following Academic Requirements:

- a) 50% or better in English Language Arts 20-1 or 20-2
- b) 50% or better in Pure or Applied Math 20
- c) 50% or better in Biology 20

Alternate Admissions Status

Alternate Admission Status applies if you do not meet the Alberta high school requirements of the program to which you are applying, or if you received your high school education through home based learning. Alternate Admission Status students may be required to meet specific program admission requirements. To apply under this status, you must submit a transcript(s) showing any completed high school and post-secondary courses, a statement in support of your application outlining aspects of your background and experience that might have prepared you for the program. Documents such as a resume, letters of reference from previous educators or employers, and/or a portfolio of related academic/project work must be included with your application.

Tuition Deposit

Accepted students will be required to submit a tuition deposit.

Special Requirements

Students will be expected to acquire tools and protective clothing on arrival at Olds College. These items will cost approximately \$2,400.00. A valid driver's license is required.

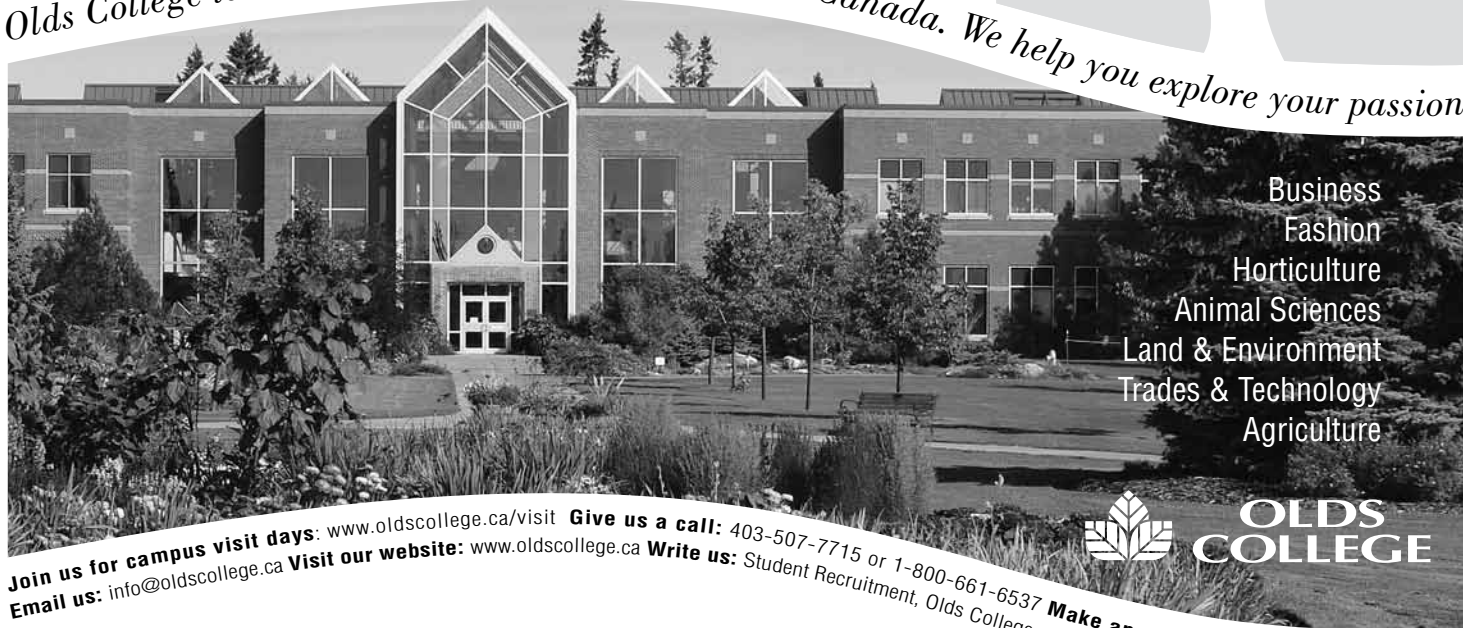
Farrier Science Certificate

COURSES

- Welding
- Trimming & Keg Shoeing
- Equine Anatomy
- Blacksmithing
- Horse Handling
- Horseshoeing
- Directed Field Studies
- Performance Shoeing
- Advanced forging & Horseshoeing
- Advanced Therapeutic & Corrective Horseshoeing
- Professional Practice
- Small Business Planning & Management
- Communications & Personal Management
- Record Keeping

For a full listing of program courses visit www.oldscollege.ca/programs

Olds College leads real-life, hands-on education in Canada. We help you explore your passion.



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Horticulture
Animal Sciences
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