

# Course Syllabus

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**NOTE:** This syllabus is subject to change during the semester. Please check the syllabus regularly for updates.

**Department** : Physical Education  
**Course Title** : Beginning Horsemanship  
**Section Name** : AGRI 1114  
**Start Date** :  
**End Date** :  
**Modality** : Face to Face  
**Credits** :

## Instructor Information

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## Course Description

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Basic methods and techniques for various riding events such as rodeo, drill, and speed event horses. The course will cover rider preparation for performance, basic equipment and riding style. (SCANS 5,9,10)

## Prerequisites/Corequisites

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There are no prerequisites for this course, although horseback riding experience and skill is a plus.

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## Course Objectives

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After completion of this course, the student will be able to demonstrate competency in:

1. Horse grooming
2. Hoof care
3. Saddling and bridling techniques.
4. Basic riding skills used in rodeo, drill, show and speed events.

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**CLASS ACTIVITIES:** participation in class discussions and group activities are mandatory. Test questions will be taken from notes of the class lectures, riding instruction and handouts for notebook entry.

1. Parts of the Horse
2. Parts of the saddle and other related equipment.
3. Basic grooming skills including clipping and hoof care.
4. Equipment fit for the horse and rider.
5. Ground work.
6. Basic riding commands, maneuvers and skills.

#### Special Needs

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432- 335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

**CLASS PARTICIPATION:** Class participation makes PHED 1114 work. Attendance is required. Absences will have a direct impact on your final grade. If you are going to be absent or late for any reason, call me and let me know why. A notebook of all the handouts and related material will be kept for a grade.

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#### Required Readings/Materials

There are no required reading materials, although students will need to read handouts and develop a notebook of the materials handed out during the semester.

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#### Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)

#### Summary of Assignments & Activities

	Type	Description	Due
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Item(Name)			
Basic Western Riding Equipment	Class handouts and demonstrations	Quiz's over handouts	Weeks 1 and 2
Basic English Riding Equipment	Demonstrations		Weeks 3-4
Saddling	Demonstrations		Week 5
Basic Western riding maneuvers	Demonstrations		Weeks 6-12
Basic English riding maneuvers	Demonstrations		Weeks 13-15

**GRADING SYSTEM:**

Class participation      50 pts  
 Class attendance        15 pts  
 Quiz's                      15 pts  
 Notebook                  20 pts  
 TOTAL                      100 pts

**GRADING SCALE:**

A 90% to 100%  
 B 80% to 90%  
 C 70% to 80%  
 D 60% to 70%  
 F below 60%

