

EQUINE MANAGEMENT



Work with specialist tutors:

Ours have a wide range of specialist qualifications and practical experience... and they're friendly and approachable

Superb equestrian centre:

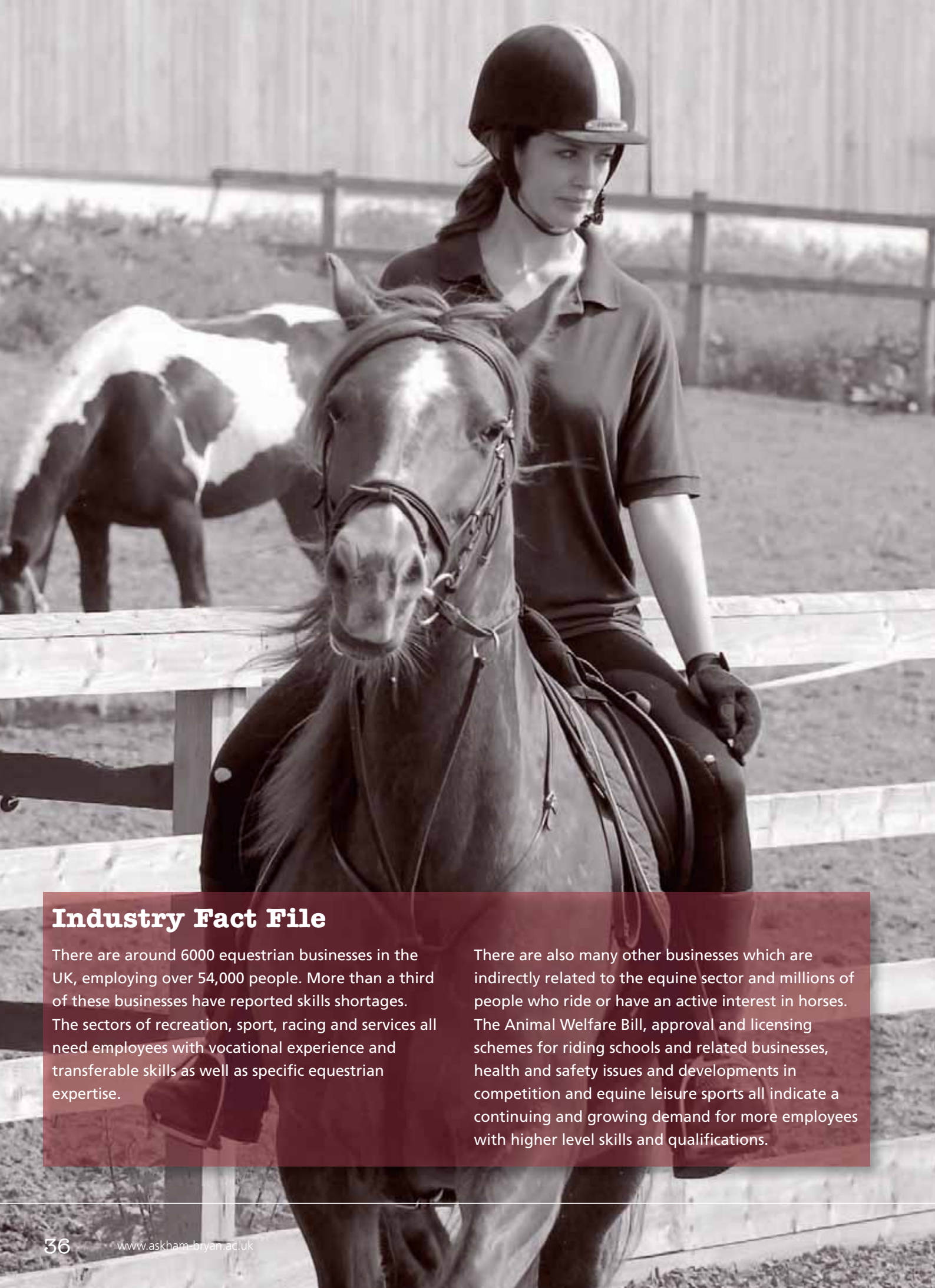
**Indoor school
(60 metres by 30 metres)**

**Outdoor school
(60 metres by 25 metres)**

Stabling and support facilities for 40 horses

Demonstration areas

Feed room, tackroom, washing and clipping boxes



Industry Fact File

There are around 6000 equestrian businesses in the UK, employing over 54,000 people. More than a third of these businesses have reported skills shortages. The sectors of recreation, sport, racing and services all need employees with vocational experience and transferable skills as well as specific equestrian expertise.

There are also many other businesses which are indirectly related to the equine sector and millions of people who ride or have an active interest in horses. The Animal Welfare Bill, approval and licensing schemes for riding schools and related businesses, health and safety issues and developments in competition and equine leisure sports all indicate a continuing and growing demand for more employees with higher level skills and qualifications.

Foundation Degree Equine Management

This course is for you if you are aiming for a career in equine management and are studying or have completed studying A levels, a National Diploma or the equivalent. It is also suitable for mature learners with significant industry experience. If you don't have these qualifications, you could consider the Extended Foundation Degree in Equine Management.

Entry Requirements

- See page 13.

Where

York Campus

Length

Full time – two years

Part time – three years

Course Features

Full time study involves College-based study for four days each week with a further one day each week spent on work placement.

Part time study involves College-based study for one day each week.

This course will develop a wide range of skills to suit a variety of career options in the equine industry. Through a combination of practical and theoretical subjects, you will develop the ability to manage horses, their environment and associated businesses.

Work experience is a key element and over the full course you will complete 300 hours of relevant vocational placement, with assistance from your tutors. Previously students have carried out their work experience in organisations such as veterinary surgeries, competition yards, studs and riding schools.

In the first year you will study:

- Equine Husbandry
- Equine Anatomy and Physiology
- Tissues and Cells for Equine Biology
- ICT
- Personal Effectiveness
- Vocational Placement 1

plus your choice of two optional modules from subjects such as:

- Equitation (Part I)
- Equine Behaviour and Psychology

- The Equine Industry
- Business Innovation and Creativity

In the second year you will study:

- Vocational Placement 2
- A Research Dissertation
- Practical Equine Management
- Equine Nutrition and Feeding
- Equine Health and Disease
- The Working Environment

plus your choice of two optional modules from subjects such as:

- Leading and Managing Organisations
- Principles of Marketing
- European Studies
- Equitation (Part II)
- Equine Exercise Physiology
- Equine Injury and Repair
- Equine Teaching

There are external visits throughout the year such as a study tour to Newmarket and a trip to the Horse of the Year Show, for which a financial contribution to the cost of attendance is usually required.

During the course, your work will be assessed through project work, practical work, essays, presentations and examinations.

Further Study

If you are successful on this course you can progress to the one-year BSc (Hons) degree in Equine Management.

Career Opportunities

Due to the breadth of subjects covered on the course there are great career opportunities. Typically students go on to teach and instruct, manage yards or to careers in allied industries such as feed, sales or marketing.

Awarding Body

Harper Adams University College

UCAS Code

D422

Fees

See page 16.



FREE additional courses to increase your employability

All new full time entrants to the course will be provided with a £305 voucher which can be used against the cost of any additional vocational programmes offered by the College. See page 19.



BSc (Hons) Degree Equine Management (‘Top Up’ route)

This is a one year course for those who have already completed a Foundation Degree, Higher National Diploma or an equivalent qualification and would now like to progress to honours degree level.

Entry Requirements

◆ See page 13.

Where

York Campus

Length

Full time – one year

Part time – eighteen months

Course Features

This course will develop your equine management knowledge and ability. We have excellent links with the industry through our Equine Industrial Liaison Panel who contributed to the development of this course, ensuring it provides the skills and knowledge which are required to succeed in positions of responsibility.

The range of subjects you will study includes science-based subjects such as nutrition, behaviour and advances in equine research. In addition there is a range of management topics to help you succeed in your chosen career.

The modules you will study are:

- Applied Equine Nutrition and Physiology
- Applied Equine Behaviour and Welfare
- Management Skills for the Equine Industry
- Advances in Equine Research
- Research Methods
- Applied Sustainable Practices
- A Research Dissertation

Your work is assessed by a variety of methods including assessment of case studies, reports and presentations, practical witness testimonials and examinations.

Further Study

You could progress to MSc or PhD studies.

Career Opportunities

There are many opportunities throughout the equine industry and related sectors. Previous students have gone on to develop careers in teaching, coaching and yard management.

Awarding Body

Harper Adams University College

UCAS Code

D425

Fees

See page 16.



Staff profile:

Kathryn Harrison – Section Leader: Equine

What drew you to a career in equestrianism?

"I'd always loved being outside and horses were my passion when I was a teenager."

Where did you train?

"Here at Askham Bryan with a National Diploma. I then went to De Montfort University for an HND and BSc (Hons) in Equine Sports Science followed by a post graduate degree at Writtle College."

What was your first job?

"Working on a small private yard on the outskirts of Leeds."

What aspect of that job did you enjoy most?

"Being outside and with the horses everyday."

What was your best job before teaching?

"Probably my first job where I spent most of my time outside actually caring for the horses."

What drew you to teaching?

"I always knew that I wanted to come back and teach here. I saw huge potential in what the college could achieve and am very much enjoying being part of it."

What gives you most job satisfaction?

"Helping students reach their potential. Everyone has different skills and strengths, but with the right support all students can succeed in their chosen area and that's what I find most satisfying."

What does ABC have to offer students that is special?

"Supportive staff who work closely with students to help them meet their goals. We are a close knit community that ensures all our students are treated and cared for as individuals."

What does your department have to offer students?

"Very well qualified staff including five BHS Instructors (British Horse Society Instructors, the highest level of instructor qualification going) plus a range of staff with specialist academic qualifications, fantastic facilities and regular visits to ensure students get a full picture of the industry and where they would like to work within it."

What's the best piece of advice anyone ever gave you?

"If you work hard enough you can achieve anything."



Extended Foundation Degree Equine Management

This is the course for you if you want to work towards studying equine management at degree level but don't have A level qualifications. Maybe you are thinking of returning to education after a long gap, need higher level qualifications to help advance your career or would like to make a career change? The course includes an introductory year to help you develop the type of study skills and specific knowledge that you will need to succeed on the subsequent years of the course.

Entry Requirements

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Where

York Campus

Length

Full time – three years

Part time – five years

Course Features

Full time study during the introductory year involves two days of College-based study each week. For those studying part time, College-based study is for one day each week for two years.

During this introductory year you will develop both the generic academic skills and the vocational skills you will need for more specialist studies in the later years of the course.

The modules you will study are:

- Preparatory Academic Skills
- Personal Development and Self Reflection
- Studying with Technology
- Introduction to Science
- Introduction to the Principles of Business Management
- Introduction to Equine Husbandry
- Preliminary Equitation
- Work-based Learning
- Personal Development and Self Reflection

For details of the subsequent years of the course, please see the details for Foundation Degree Equine Management on page 38.

During the course, your work will be assessed through project work, practical work, essays, presentations and examinations.

Awarding Body

Harper Adams University College

UCAS Code

D428

Fees

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