### **EQSCI 121 Course Outline as of Fall 2009**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: EQSCI 121 Title: THERAPEUTIC RIDING PRGM

Full Title: Therapeutic Riding Program Procedures

Last Reviewed: 8/28/2017

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	1.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	17.50
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	2.00	2	Lab Scheduled	35.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 35.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 87.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: AG 111

#### **Catalog Description:**

Theory and practical application of the skills necessary to assist in providing a safe, challenging and effective therapeutic riding experience to participants with disabilities. Familiarization with the use of adaptive equipment, saddle/tack fitting and lesson structure. Assessment, selection, handling, training, and management practices of therapy horses.

### **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Course Completion of EQSCI 120 (or AG 110 or AG 280.66)

#### **Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

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### **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

### Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

### **COURSE CONTENT**

# **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Analyze problems and solutions related to the therapeutic riding setting.
- 2. Identify and practice skills needed in the subject area.
- 3. Demonstrate new and innovative techniques and information in the subject areas.
- 4. Demonstrate and articulate the roles and tasks of persons assisting in a therapeutic riding melieu.
- 5. Demonstrate procedures for assisting a rider with ground and mounted activities.
- 6. Evaluate a horse for use in a therapeutic riding program.
- 7. List components of a conditioning and training program for a therapeutic riding horse.
- 8. Demonstrate safe horse handling skills.
- 9. Describe proper saddle and equipment fit to horse and rider.
- 10. Identify components of a horse health maintenance record keeping system.
- 11. Discuss ethical considerations in the use of horses used in a therapeutic riding program.
- 12. Demonstrate proficiency in lunging and ground driving skills.

## **Topics and Scope:**

- 1. Characteristics of disabilities served.
- 2. Safety principles and emergency procedures when necessary.
- 3. Signs of stress, fatigue, etc. in the horse and/or rider.

- 4. Riding lesson plans.
- 5. Adaptive and other types of equipment.
- 6. Basic horsemanship skills to include: catching, leading, tying, grooming, tacking, and warm-up.
- 7. Interpersonal and coaching skills which presents information to the disabled students, peers, and other staff in a clear and respectful manner.
- 8. Selection and management of the therapy horse.
- 9. Student ground handling skills, control, and safety concerns.
- 10. Tack selection, fitting, design and precautions for use with horses.
- 11. Documentation procedures for the health, training, use of horses.
- 12. Ethical considerations involved in the use of horses.

#### **Assignment:**

- 1. Read and research a variety of riding topics related to handicapped students.
- 2. Discuss research regarding therapeutic riding.
- 3. Research various riding skills related to the handicapped rider.
- 4. Objective examinations: multiple choice, true/false, matching items, completion.

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because problem solving assessments and skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing 0 - 0%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Field work

Problem solving 35 - 50%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances, Field work, Performance exams

Skill Demonstrations 40 - 55%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice, True/false, Matching items, Completion

Exams 10 - 25%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None		Other Category 0 - 0%
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# **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

The Horse, The Handicapped, and The Riding Team in a Therapeutic Riding Program.
Barbara Teichman Engel, Margaret Lois Galloway, Mary P. Bull. Barbara Engel Therapy Services: 1994