

## Conners State College - Equine Technology Degree

Conners State College is located in Warner, Oklahoma and is a two-year public college that offers a wide variety of different associate's degrees. One of the associate's degrees that is available for students to pursue is the Equine Technology degree.

The Equine Technology Program is made up of different theory classes that range from anatomy, physiology, and nutrition to marketing and management. Students will also be able to participate in daily hands of activities concentrating on breaking and starting young horses. This will then lead up to a specialization in the student's specific area of choice. Students can also choose to pursue either an Associate's of Science degree, or an Associate's of Applied Science degree. Both of these degree options are available in this two year program. Graduates of the program with either degree have the opportunity to be employed as assistant trainers, breeders, equine managers, or they can continue their education by transferring to a major university.

The equine program at Conners State College is designed to teach students responsibility, horsemanship, and many other skills that are required to be successful in the equine industry. Students will also have the opportunity to speak with the owners of horses while they are in the program.

The first semester of the student's freshman year will be spent working on their western equitation skills. They will then proceed on to starting and breaking colts. The colt breaking period is made up of three different sessions. Each student will be given a new colt at the start of each new session, meaning that all students will have the chance to start three different horses. During this time, students are asked to advance their abilities as they begin to gain more and more experience.

During the first semester of the sophomore year, students will begin by taking four weeks of English equitation. Following this four week period, students will then have twelve weeks of specialized training in their field of choice. Some of the specialized training areas include roping, cutting, or reining. During the second semester of the sophomore year, students will have to start another colt before beginning their externship. The externship is a great chance for the students to work with a breeder or trainer that also has the same interest as the student. The externship lasts for eight weeks and during this time the students will be working and riding alongside the breeder or trainer so that they will have to chance to learn and benefit by having hands on experience in their day to day operations.

The Equine facilities are some of the best in the nation. Students will be able to take advantage of the wonderful features that include:

Three barns with a total of 50 stalls

Tack Room

Feed Room

Vet Room

100 x 250 foot indoor arena

150 x 300 foot outdoor arena

40, 60, and 100 foot round pens

Students will be at an advantage over students at different colleges because Conners State College has some of the best instructors in the country. Fred Williams has been teaching at Conners State College since 1979 and has an Applied Science Degree from OSU Tech. He also has a teaching certificate from Colorado State University. The instructors also have a great deal of experience when it comes to competing at horse shows. Fred Williams has competed at the National level with many different breed associations including Appaloosas, Quarter Horses, Paints, and Palominos. Fred also has won many world and reserve world titles including:

1976 World Championship Appaloosa Calf Roping Horse

1986 World Championship Junior Quarter Horse Cutting Horse

1985 World Championship Senior Paint Cutting Horse

1986 Lazy E Calf Roping Futurity Champion

1986 World Show Qualifier Top 10

1988 World Show Qualifier Top 5

1989 World Show Qualifier Top 5

1990 World Show Qualifier Top 10

1996 World Championship Senior Palomino Calf Roping Horse

1997 Reserve World Championship Calf Roping Horse

2000 World Championship Paint Calf Roping Horse

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