



# University of Findlay

## Western Equestrian Riding

### EQUIPMENT LIST FOR WESTERN EQUESTRIAN STUDIES

#### Freshman Equipment Required:

1. 1 Nylon halter, 1 rope halter, and 2 cotton leads (1 with/ 1 without chain)
2. Western saddle – 15" seat or larger – NO SYNTHETIC
3. 1 Western saddle pad – ¾" to 1" thick (canvas/felt – canvas/wool or felt)
4. Western Girth 30"-32"
5. Western bridle with 6-7 inch medium shank snaffle bit (loose) NO TOM THUMB
6. Correction bit 5-7" Shank
7. Smooth Ring or D-Ring Snaffle
8. 6' minimum - 7' maximum harness leather reins ½" or 5/8" wide
9. Children's lariat - 0'-25' smooth preferred
10. Splint boots (neoprene recommended) – small or medium
11. Four leg wraps 3"-4" wide and No Bow Quilts (conservative colors)
12. 1 Lunge line 20' minimum
13. Extra chain for lunge line
14. Lunge whip
15. Bathing equipment (shampoo, sponge, scraper, etc.)
16. Grooming equipment – dandy brush (stiff bristle), body brush (soft bristle), rubber curry comb, mane and tail brush, small metal mane comb for pulling, hoof pick, 2 rags (towels)
17. Banding rubber bands – black or brown
18. Zipper sleezy with large eye and ear holes
19. Clippers (motor operation required) #40 blades #10 blades
20. Clipper oil, blade wash and cool lube
21. Scissors
22. Extension cord
23. Digital Equine Thermometer (with tie loop)
24. Western boots – smooth soles (no treads) with a low heel and round or square toes
25. Shirt – long sleeve, button down collar (must be worn for riding tests)
26. Spurs (no clip-ons) 2 ½" – 3" or less shank

***\*A tack locker is provided for each student. Please do not plan on bringing your own tack locker. There will be a per semester fee for the tack locker. This fee will be charged to the student's account.***

#### If you plan to ride English at the Western Farm

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| 1. English Hunt seat saddle (no synthetic), bridle               | 4. D ring or full cheeks snaffle bit                     |
| 2. Kimberwick English smooth snaffle bit w/ Curb chain or pelham | 5. Bounce pad and English riding pad, English girth      |
| 3. SEI approved helmet with chin strap                           | 6. Breeches and hunt boots, half chaps, or English chaps |

These items are an essential part of your learning experience and education at Findlay, and will be a part of your commitment to the horse industry. ***Please call if you have questions.*** There will be retailers coming to the University farms with available equipment. Retailers and sponsors of our equestrian studies program are: Saltwell Western Store at 330-343-0388 or [www.saltwellwesternstore.com](http://www.saltwellwesternstore.com) and Schneider's Saddlery at 800-365-1311 or [www.sstack.com](http://www.sstack.com).

**1-800-548-0932 extensions 4656 or 419-434-4656**



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### Sophomore Equipment Required

1. Tear drop snaffle bit
2. Side pull or rope hackamore, brow-band headstall
3. Splint boots to fit young horses
4. ASTM/SEI approved helmet (required for round pen)
5. Spurs with short shank, dull rowels (No clip-ons)

\*This list is in addition to the Freshman Equipment Required

### Junior and Senior Equipment Required

1. 7 to 8 ½ inch shank, swivel port or hinge snaffle
2. 7 to 8 ½ inch shank, solid mouthpiece
3. 8 to 8½ inch shank, loose shank correction bit (pro-roller correction)
4. (Seniors) bell boots and skid boots
5. Draw reins, CB training reins

\*This list is in addition to the Freshman and Sophomore Equipment Required

### Dress Code

1. No facial piercings (absolutely no eyebrow or nose rings)
2. Jewelry and earrings are to be kept simple and to a minimum.
3. No shirts with less than 2 inch shoulder straps (no spaghetti straps or camisoles)
4. All jeans must be loose enough to get on a horse – western style (example: Wrangler, Cruel Girl, etc.)
5. No crop tops (no backs or belly buttons showing)
6. Clothing may not have concert promotions, suggestive, or explicit language displayed.
7. No sandals, open toed shoes, or shorts are worn at the barn. This includes weekends, holidays, horse shows, and evening visits.
8. **Long sleeve, button shirt with collar for testing and finals**

### Helmet Policy

Wearing an ATSM/SEI certified helmet is encouraged when riding. An ATSM/SEI certified helmet is required when jumping or engaging in gymnastics or riding English. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors are required to wear an ATSM/SEI certified helmet or hockey helmet when working with or riding an unbroken horse in a round pen.

All items on our tack lists can be obtained through:

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