



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. Twisted Wire D-Ring
8. Smooth Ring or D-Ring Snaffle
9. 7' minimum harness leather reins ½" or 5/8" wide
10. Catch rope 20'-25' smooth preferred – children's lariat
11. Splint boots (neoprene recommended) – small or medium
12. Four leg wraps 3"-4" wide and No Bow Quilts (conservative colors)
13. 1 Lunge line 20' minimum
14. Extra chain for lunge line
15. Lunge whip
16. Driving lines, cotton
17. Bathing equipment (shampoo, sponge, scraper, etc.)
18. 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)
19. Banding rubber bands – black or brown
20. Zipper sleezy with large eye and ear holes
21. Clippers (motor operation required) and #40 blades #10 blades
22. Clipper oil, blade wash and cool lube
23. Scissors
24. Extension cord
25. Digital Equine Thermometer (with tie loop)
26. Western boots – smooth soles (no treads) with a low heel and round or square toes
27. Shirt – long sleeve, button down collar (must be worn for riding tests)
28. Spurs (no clip-ons) 2 ½" – 3" or less shank

****A tack locker is provided for each student. Please do not plan on brining 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 pelam | 5. Bounce pad and English riding pad, English girth |
| 3. SEI approved helmet with chin strap | 6. Breeches and hunt boots, gators, 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. Package deals may be available from Silver Starr Equipment Company at 419-462-5718. Other retailers and sponsors of our equestrian studies program are: Rod's at 800-325-8508 or www.rods.com and Schneider's Saddlery at 800-365-1311 or www.sstack.com.



*Sophomore Year Equipment Required

1. Tear drop tom thumb
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)
6. Cotton hobbles or cotton rope to make them (8' of 3/4" rope)
7. Martingale

*This list is in addition to the Freshman Equipment Required

**Junior and Senior Years Equipment Required

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

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Dress Code

1. No facial piercings (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. All shirts must be tucked in when riding-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 to be 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.

Local Tack Store Contacts:
(Equipment may be purchased from anywhere)

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