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Continuing Education  
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## Kirkwood Continuing Education **MASTER EQUINE MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**

Located at:

- The Iowa Equestrian Center
- Abraham's Equine Clinic
- Local Iowa farms



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# Turn your passion for horses into a career.

Come learn at renowned equestrian facilities with courses led by a trusted team of local veterinary experts. This program includes essential skills that serve a variety of careers, such as:

- Horse owner
- Stable manager
- Farm employee
- Horse groom
- Veterinary assistant

Over the course of the certificate program, you will learn about common equine health issues and treatments; reproductive care, including artificial insemination; lameness issues; and proper feeding methods for horses at various life stages.

Whether you are just getting started with horse care, or you need to know the latest research and techniques for improved equine health, this certificate will prepare you for providing the best care possible to any horse.

## LOCATIONS

We are proud to partner with the following locations:

The **Iowa Equestrian Center** features first-class indoor and outdoor show arenas, as well as class spaces for demonstration and classroom learning.

**Abraham's Equine Clinic** includes a laboratory, reproductive center, over 60 clinic stalls, and more.

**Local Iowa farms** will be open for students to participate in on-site tours for the duration of the program.

## MASTER EQUINE MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE COURSES

### Basic Equine Health and Performance

This class will cover common equine health issues that can occur in a horse's lifetime. Learn to recognize various diseases of different body systems, as well as treatments for specific problems. You'll also go over preventative medicine, such as vaccination and deworming protocols. Finally, you'll learn the ins and outs of purchasing a healthy and sound horse.

### Equine Reproduction

Benefit from both classroom instruction and hands-on lab work at an equine reproduction facility. Learn the normal reproductive cycle of a mare and various ways of synchronizing the cycle. Practice methods of maximizing reproductive efficiency as well as addressing and treating possible infertility issues. Learn the steps of artificial insemination, including collecting the stallions and evaluating, preparing, and shipping the semen.

### Equine Lameness

Lameness can be a common occurrence in a horse. Learn to identify the causes of lameness issues and how to treat them. View various conformation faults that can subject the horse to various lameness problems to help prevent future issues. You'll also learn the meaning of the phrase "form to function" and how that applies to proper horse care.

### Equine Nutrition

Understand a horse's digestive system and the importance of various nutrients in its diet. Learn how to properly feed proteins, carbohydrates, fats, minerals, and vitamins to your horse. You will also understand how to best feed horses at various periods in their lifetime, and how to adjust dietary needs of broodmares versus performance horses.



### Master Equine Management Capstone

This capstone class will go over business plans for various equine programs. Learn about the many opportunities available for those who are interested in the horse industry! You'll visit local successful horse operations for inspiration.

Successful completion of this program will earn you your Master Equine Management Certificate.

For more information, please contact the program developer at 319-398-7796.

To register for the certificate program, call **319-398-1022** or visit **[www.kirkwood.edu/ce](http://www.kirkwood.edu/ce)**.