The Program

If you enjoy working with foals, yearlings, broodmares and stallions, the Equine Science and Management major may provide the opportunity to fulfill your dream and pursue an equine breeding and management career.

The Equine Science curriculum provides the student with a solid mix of liberal arts, basic science and professional courses to assure that the student becomes a well-rounded, well-educated professional in the equine breeding and production field. Basic professional courses include Stable Management, Equine Health Management, Equine Breeding, Equine Anatomy and Physiology, Yearling Horse Sales Management, Mare and Foal Management and Equine Business Management.
Graduates have a variety of employment opportunities available in equine production, agri-business, education and government. An average of 99 percent are employed within 6 months of graduation within the animal science industry.

Animal Science graduates are sought by industry for employment as stallion managers, foaling managers, farm managers, breed association representatives, livestock specialists and nutrition consultants.

As a result of training in both equine production and business, many graduates obtain employment with pharmaceutical companies, feed manufacturers, and veterinary-supply companies. Animal Science also offers the opportunity for a career in education. Many graduates are involved with 4-H and FFA programs, as well as teaching vocational education and science in high school.

For graduates interested in pursuing additional training in either veterinary medicine or graduate studies, one will find Delaware Valley College alumni attending universities throughout the United States, such as Penn State, Rutgers, Iowa State, Ohio State, Colorado State, Kansas State, Virginia Tech and University of Missouri.

The DelVal Difference

Ideally located in the heart of Bucks County, Delaware Valley College offers Equine Science and Management students all they need for a solid practical education. Surrounded by miles of rolling farmlands, the College’s campus includes 550 acres, upon which are located our extensive standardbred facilities. These outdoor classrooms and living laboratories are within an easy walk of dorms and classroom buildings. Local equine facilities provide additional learning sites, and area professionals contribute to the learning experience through frequent guest lecturing and by providing undergraduate internships, co-ops and postgraduate employment.

The intimate size of Delaware Valley College works to your advantage, especially as an Equine Science and Management major. There is friendship among students and between students and professors. An additional advantage of our size is the fact that most classes are small. You receive a hands-on education. Our academic philosophy, emphasizing scholarship with applied experience, holds true in this major. You will learn by doing!

Our Faculty Sets Us Apart

The specialized curriculum in Equine Science and Management is exciting, involving and pertinent. It offers you a wide menu of Animal Science courses preparing you for your chosen career, and it includes an appropriate selection of liberal arts, science, mathematics and business courses. You won’t find any graduate assistants teaching your classes. Our faculty is committed to your success, and it energizes them to help you achieve your highest potential. Individual attention is a hallmark of our
program. They are advisors, teachers and partners in your education, and their personal attention helps you to plan academic programs that focus on your career goals. Our faculty is your greatest resource!

The Facilities
In order to support the Equine Science and Management curriculum, the College maintains a herd of standardbred horses. The herd consists of 20 mares, two stallions, and 10-12 weanlings/yearlings. Mares are bred to the College-owned pacing stallions “Magical Mike” p.2,1:51.4;3,1:50.2 and “Arturo” p.2,1:53.2;1:54.4;3,1:51.2f1:53h and to outside stallions standing in NJ, DE, PA and NY.

Students in the Stable Management and Breeding Management courses are involved with the daily care of the herd and perform all health care, teasing, stallion collection, breeding and foaling of these horses. Students in the Yearling Horse Sale Management course prepare yearlings for sale, construct the consignments and attend the yearling auction sales, where the yearlings are sold.

Three-Plus-One Program
For the student planning a career in veterinary medicine, an undergraduate education in Equine Science and Management provides the opportunity to obtain “hands-on” training in the handling and feeding of standardbred horses.

Due to the competitive nature of veterinary school admission, a GPA of 3.5 should be maintained in addition to veterinary work experience and involvement in campus activities. Additionally, the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or VCAT exams are required for application. Most students take the GRE for the first time as juniors.

Our “Three-plus-One” program is available for students who earn early admission to professional schools and are accepted at the end of their junior year at DelVal. In order to be granted the Bachelor of Science degree from Delaware Valley College, students in the “Three-plus-One” program must have earned a minimum of 96 credits, including 38 DelVal core-requirement credits.

The Employment Program
Your college experience at DelVal will be individual and enriching. Our philosophy of “hands-on” learning — through the College Employment Program — prepares you for the work force in a unique way. You graduate with classroom experience and practical experience, a substantial résumé, and the confidence employers seek. Your career goals are the focus of the academic programs at Delaware Valley College. Students gain the experience employers want, and our success rate speaks for itself.

For the past five years, 100 percent of our students are employed or accepted into graduate school within six months of graduation!
INVITATION TO VISIT

Delaware Valley College has generous financial aid—both need-based and merit programs—that are described in brochures and other materials that are available from the Admissions Office.

We welcome campus visits and are pleased to arrange tours of our facilities and visits to classes in session.

For more information about the Equine Science and Management Program at Delaware Valley College, contact:

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