

Land Based Studies – Horse Care Pathway

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If you are wanting to take the first steps of working with horses in the future, then this course is for you.

The course is made up of a mixture of academic lessons and practical lessons, with lots of opportunities to work around the horses and on the yard.

You'll be working on a range of different topics and units on this course including:

Mucking out horses, rugs & rugging, tack and tacking up, feeding and watering, health and safety, communication, handling horses and riding horses (although this is not compulsory).

You will be studying many aspects of equestrianism to build and develop your theoretical knowledge and working on improving your practical skills.

We are very lucky to have 2 indoor schools and 1 outdoor school, stabling for 55 horses, that are all rubber matted and have automatic water drinkers. We have 5 horse-walker, 2 hot wash bays and solariums, and heated tack rooms. We have 30 acres of grazing that is split into smaller paddocks, a cross country schooling area and lots of beautiful hacking available.

On evenings and weekends we run competitions or hire our facilities to a range of different awarding bodies, including British Dressage, British Show jumping, The Riding for the Disabled Association and the British Horse Driving Trials Association. So, if you have a passion for horses and want a career working with them, this is the best place to start.

As a Level 1 qualification this course is all about introducing you to the equine industry and developing your essential skills. You'll be learning from experienced and well qualified staff, who are there to give you the very best start to your career.

There are 2 options on the course, riding or Grooms pathway.



Scan the QR Code for full course description, assessment and progression options from this course



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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry requirements for external applicants and school leavers

- Two or more GCSEs at grade 2 or above, or successful completion of an Entry Level qualification.
- Learners with relevant industry experience but no GCSEs at grade 2 may be considered based on interview. For some courses this may include GCSE English or maths grade 2 or equivalent.
- Equine experience with riding and horse handling to be discussed at interview to determine appropriate starting point.



Entry requirements for existing learners with the Cornwall College Group

- Successful completion of previous course and, where relevant, meet the English and/or maths requirements of the Level 1 course.

Please note: Some of our courses may have extra entry requirements or need a bit more information, like evidence or experience. Don't worry - we'll guide you through everything when you apply!



LOCATION & NEXT START DATE(S)

Duchy College Stoke Climsland - 7 September 2026



LEVEL
Level 1

DURATION
1 Year

ATTENDANCE
Full-time

FEES
Tuition Fees: £1709.00
FREE for school leavers*

Fees apply to adults and HE students only. Only the most common fees scenario is shown. Actual fees may vary depending on your personal situation. Please contact us for further information. Courses listed on this website are indicative of the subject, nature and level of study. The College reserves the right to alter specific qualifications titles, awarding bodies and levels of qualification, which can change in year. Any cost may also vary, based on personal funding eligibility. The Cornwall College Group reserves the right to withdraw any course listed at any time.



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