

AEP 1 Syllabus



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Diploma Program Overview

Through IAEP, students train to become an entry-level Hoof Care Provider. The program consists of on-line academic studies and hands-on training on many types of horses. Students will gain the skills needed to excel in the rapidly changing world of professional hoof care.

Students will be exposed to a complete understanding of hoof health and will begin to become proficient at hoof trimming in this comprehensive training program. Students will receive individualized training in the classroom, wet lab, and under the horse. The courses cover all aspects of environment, anatomy, functional anatomy, hoof health assessment, functional hoof trimming and balancing for health.

Required Text

The Principals of Applied Equine Podiatry, *Keith “KC” La Pierre*

<http://www.equinepodiatry.com/articles-.html>

On-line Course requirements

PC or Mac with Adobe Reader

Access to the Internet

Practical Course Materials

Power Point Presentation (provided)

- Pencil and graph paper
- Approved Farriers drop-blade knife (KC Brand Recommended)
- Approved Rasp w/handle
- Approved Farriers Apron with safety release
- Dynamic Balance Hoof Level (DBHL) Required!
- Appropriate and safe footwear for trimming

Practical Course Schedule (5 Weeks required: 200 credit hours)

Day	Subject	Practice Problems
Day 1 Classroom	Principles and Philosophies of AEP	Retain the Principles and Philosophies of AEP
Day 2 Classroom	Basic anatomy / functional anatomy of the Internal Arch Apparatus (IAA).	Identify the IAA and Suspension models
Day 3 Dissection wet lab	Spectrum of Usability / Physiology	Define Physiological Sequencing
Day 4 Cadaver wet lab (Morning: Week appropriate Exam)	Tool use / Application of HPT Method	Retain the steps required for the application of the HPT Method
Day 5 Live Horse Trimming	Application of the HPT Method	Display adequate skills required for the application of the HPT Method.

Progress

To improve course content retention, each week students will be responsible for completing a simple exam that corresponds to the week they are attending. (i.e. First week students should learn and retain the basic Principles and Philosophies of AEP.) The exam will be given at the beginning of day 4.

Practical Course Exam Schedule (5-Course Objective, 200 hours)

Week	Exam Subject
Course 1 (40 credit hours)	Principles and Philosophies
Course 2 (40 credit hours)	Spectrum of Usability / Physiological Sequencing
Course 3 (40 credit hours)	The HPT Model / Balance
Course 4 (40 credit hours)	The HPT Method / Balance
Course 5 (40 credit hours)	Applied Equine Podiatry (Defining the key elements of)

AEP 1 Diploma

- 300 hours = Academic studies; 12 months to complete from day of tuition enrollment, (10) modules, midterm and final. (Cost \$475.00 USD)
- 200 hours = Practical studies, 18 months to complete from Course 1 attended, (5) 5-day courses
- 500 credit hours = Total Diploma
- Tuition cost (\$150.00 USD for deposit on any course) (Balances \$645.00 in US, \$950.00 USD UK and Europe)
- Early bird specials (-\$100) may apply prior to 60 days of course date. Check online calendar for details.

On-Line Syllabus (300 credit hours)

Module	Subject
1.	Philosophies and Principles of Applied Equine Podiatry
2.	Basic Anatomy of the Equine Foot and Lower Limb
3.	The Suspension Theory of Hoof Dynamics
4.	Functional Anatomy & Physiology of the Equine Foot
<i>Mid Term Exam</i>	
5.	Defining Correct Structure and its Stimulus (Environment)
6.	Defining the Five Dimensions of the HPT Model
7.	The High-Performance Trim (HPT) Method
8.	Tool Use within the Method
9.	Environment the deciding factor
10.	Addressing Common Foot Problems
<i>Final Written Exam</i>	

Additional Information

Students have 12 months from their start date to complete the On-line Program and 18 months to complete their practical studies. Full-time students may elect to take their final (practical) exam following completion of the On-line modules of study and having attended five practical courses. The Online portion of the program must be completed 2-weeks prior to sitting the final (practical). A student may elect to sit their final exam on day 5 of their fifth course. In the event there are several students wishing to sit their exam at the same course the Instructor may elect to host the exams on day 6.

Resources

Tools are available for purchase at:

<https://store.appliedequinepodiatry.org/storefront.aspx>

In Europe tools can be sourced at one of our distributors:

<http://www.equinepodiatry.com/distributors.html>

Post-Graduation

Students who graduate successfully from the AEP 1 program, are active alumni members, and awarded a merit star status are eligible to enroll in the AEP 2 program. Active alumni students are also eligible to attend any practical course in AEP 1 for FREE as Continued Professional Development (CPD). There is no limit to CPD

attendance per year. Attendance must be registered via email to the IAEP office 60 days prior to the course start date or sooner. Limited seating may apply.
