

Four Easy Options to Learn More About Ridgetown's Equine Training at REACH Huron

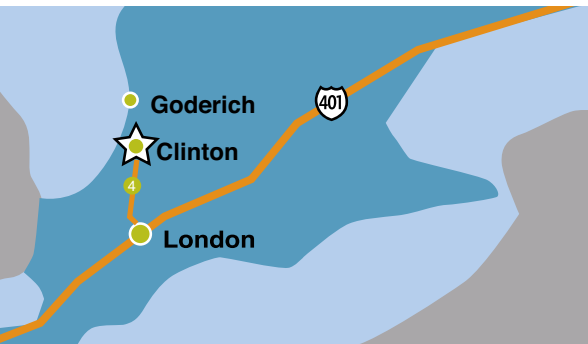
- Option 1** – Ridgetown Campus website: [www.ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca](http://www.ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca)
- Option 2** – **RED CARPET DAY OPEN HOUSE** at REACH Huron: Fall 2010
- Option 3** – Tours of the REACH Huron facilities can be arranged by appointment. Call 519-482-3998 ext.1482 or e-mail [info@reachhuron.ca](mailto:info@reachhuron.ca)
- Option 4** – If you have additional questions, contact Katie Savage, Recruitment Co-ordinator, 519-674-1500 ext. 1522, [ksavage@ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca](mailto:ksavage@ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca)



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Program	Code	Admission Requirements	Program Length (semesters)	Start	Fees – Approximate Year 1 Costs 2010/2011
Performance Horse Handler	R104	OSSD or equivalent; OR Mature student status.*	1 yr (2)	F	Tuition ..... \$5250 Student Organization Fees..... \$25 Textbooks and Supplies ..... \$1300 Student Accident Insurance..... \$4 Student Dental Insurance .....\$146 Student Health Insurance .....\$146 Graduation Fee.....\$43

Note: All estimates based on 2010/2011 fees. Actual costs may be higher.  
 \* Mature Student: 19 years of age or older and out of high school for a minimum of one year. Mature students are not required to hold a high school diploma or equivalent.



**Fall 2010 Open House**

**RED CARPET OPEN HOUSE DAY**

Friday, November 19, 2010

- For students interested in:
- Performance Horse Handler Certificate

**Spring 2011 Open House**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION DAY**

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

- For students interested in:
- Performance Horse Handler Certificate

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# Performance Horse Handler Certificate

Do you have a love for horses? Are you interested in the horse racing industry? Do you want to learn about working with competition horses?

The Performance Horse Handler Certificate program is designed to provide graduates with the technical knowledge and skills required to succeed in today's equine industry.

This one-year program prepares students to work in thoroughbred, quarter horse or standardbred racing, dressage, show jumping, reining, breeding and other stables, and competitive venues where experienced horse handling is required. Students will be exposed to the preparation of horses for racing or competition, learn the principles of horse behaviour and safe horse handling, and carry out duties such as handling, feeding, grooming and caring for performance horses in a controlled environment as well as in the field.



## Academic Program delivered in Clinton at REACH Huron

Students in the Performance Horse Handler Certificate program will study in Clinton, Ontario at the Regional Equine & Agricultural Centre of Huron (REACH Huron). The new facility includes many excellent teaching features, including a classroom where instructors can bring in horses for animal demonstrations.



### Features

- Practical and applied learning through lectures and labs
- Hands-on training with REACH Huron teaching horses
- Provides studies in horse behaviour, nutrition, fitness, injury prevention and care
- Small class size results in an excellent student: teacher ratio
- Includes two work placements in different industry sectors prior to program completion

### Benefits

- Learn key skills to help you succeed in a career in the equine industry
- Work with horses throughout your training program
- Begin working in an industry you enjoy after just one year of studies
- Diversified job placement opportunities in a variety of careers

### Career Options

- Farm, Stable or Facility Manager
- Equine Sales Representative
- Groom
- Race Track Manager or Employee
- Equine Event Management Staff
- Equine Secretary or Records Manager
- Stallion Handler
- Hot Walker
- Boarding Stable Employee
- Animal Care Provider

**1 year (2 semesters)**

**Start / Intake Dates:**

**September | [ontariocolleges.ca](http://ontariocolleges.ca)**

**Application Program Code: R104**



## Equine Training at REACH Huron

(Regional Equine & Agricultural Centre of Huron)

### What is REACH Huron?

- A new \$8.0 million equine and agricultural training centre located in Huron County
- An outstanding teaching facility for equine studies to prepare students for careers in Ontario's horse industry

### Educational Facilities Include:

- Indoor arena
- Stables for teaching horses
- Laboratory teaching area
- Computer lab
- Classrooms
- Outdoor arena and teaching areas

### Location:

- REACH Huron is located in the town of Clinton, Ontario
- 45 minutes north of London, at the intersection of Hwys. 4 & 8
- Located in the Municipality of Central Huron, population 8000

### Academic Programs:

- The Performance Horse Handler Certificate program (2 semesters) is the first academic program to be offered at REACH Huron
- Initial intake of students: September 2010
- Graduates will receive a University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus Certificate

### Accommodations for Students:

- Housing for students is available in the towns of Clinton, Seaforth, Goderich and Exeter. Access the listings at [www.ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca/housing](http://www.ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca/housing)

## Performance Horse Handler Certificate

### Semester 1 – Fall

Applied Anatomy and Problems of the Performance Horse  
Equine Behaviour and Handling - Part I  
Equine Facility Maintenance  
Equine Health, Wellness and Disease Prevention  
Management, Safety and Economics in the Barn - Part I

*2 week industry placement completed at the end of semester*

### Semester 2 – Winter

Applied Performance Horse Conditioning  
Business and Professionalism  
Equine Behaviour and Handling - Part II  
Equine Health & Bio-Security  
Getting Connected in the Equine Industry  
Management, Safety and Economics in the Barn - Part II  
Tools for Employment Success

*All students must satisfactorily complete a 4-week work placement upon completion of the academic courses in order to fulfill program requirements and receive their certificates.*