



Internship – Draft Horse Division

Supervisor: Andy Fritag, Big Barn Manager
Status: College Credit Internship

About the Kentucky Horse Park:

The Kentucky Horse Park (KHP) is a working horse farm, equine competition facility and an educational theme park. The Commonwealth of Kentucky acquired the property in 1972 for \$2.7 million and opened in 1978 as the world's only park dedicated to celebrating man's relationship with the horse. Over 800,000 visitors from all over the world come to the park annually. Visitors get to meet over 40 different breeds of horses on 1,200 acres of majestic bluegrass land, ride on a horse drawn trolley tours and attend shows at the Hall of Champions, Breeds Barn and Kids' Barns. Visitors can wind through the International Museum of the Horse and even watch a demonstration at the Farrier Shop.

Position Overview & Responsibilities

The Big Barn is home to six different breeds of Draft Horses and is one of the most active facilities at the KHP providing two trolley rides daily (with multiple trolleys), and participating in the Breeds Barn show regularly. Student interns will assist in all Big Barn related activities including trolley rides and demonstrations while providing high quality customer service to the local, national and international guests of the park.

- Bringing horses in/out, feeding/watering, bathing, cleaning stalls, tack, and facility.
- Keeping all areas of the barn organized and tidy throughout the day.
- Assisting with regular vet and farrier visits.
- Harness and hitch horses in teams and single, present trolley tour to the public from memorized script.
- Serve as a source of information for all of the activities and programs of the park.
- Assist with special activities, events and education.
- Other duties as assigned.

Requirements:

- Must be enrolled as a student of a college or university, with a GPA of 2.5 or above.
- Complete State of Kentucky Co-Op/Intern Application and Academic Credit Agreement.
- Complete KHP Internship Application and Waiver at kyhorsepark.com
- Attend an interview, orientation and tour.
- Must complete 160 hours over an 8 week period.
- Record all internship hours using VicNet database.
- Volunteer for a minimum of 3 KHP special events.
- Complete a midterm and final survey and evaluation.
- Weekly meetings with KHP Internship Manager.
- Must be able to lift 45lbs above shoulders and physically able to walk several miles daily.

For questions, contact:

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