

**BRITISH COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
OF  
EQUINE THERAPY**

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Thank you for your interest in our *“Equine Sport Therapy Program”*.

British Columbia College of Equine Therapy is a registered and bonded College governed by the “Private Career Training Institution Agency of British Columbia”. We offer a two-year, part time certificate program, designed for those wishing to acquire the skill and knowledge necessary for a career as an “Equine Sport Therapist”.

Our course includes instruction in the following:

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| - Anatomy                          | - Use of Herbal Remedies         |
| - Physiology                       | - Assessment of Rider Imbalances |
| - Pathology                        | - Principles of Movement         |
| - Massage Therapy                  | - Energy Balancing Techniques    |
| - Saddle and Tack Fitting          | - Recognizing Farrier Imbalances |
| - Applied Kinesiology              | - Recognizing Dental Imbalances  |
| - Nutritional Assessment & Balance | - Acupressure Techniques         |
| - Structural Assessment & Balance  | - Use of Magnetics               |
| - Cranial Assessment and Balance   | - Treatment of Injuries          |

The course consists of four components:

1. Classroom and Hands-On Instruction
  - Students attend classes once a month (on a Friday and Saturday) and receive classroom and hands-on instruction.
2. Practicum
  - Students are required to complete a minimum of 20 assessments and treatments between classes.
3. Course study
  - Students are responsible to study the texts and material supplied by the College.
4. Research Projects
  - There are usually 4 research projects that must be completed and handed in during the course of study.

Students must be prepared to spend, on average, two to three hours per day to complete the practicum, course study and research components. Total hours for the course will be 2000.

Students receive a quiz at the beginning of each class and are required to submit their case studies of animals treated. In September of the second term, students write a midterm paper covering all the material presented in the first term.

A final mark of 70%, or greater, is required to pass and is calculated in the following manner:

-	Midterm exam and quizzes	15%	of final mark
-	Practicum (case studies)	15%	of final mark
-	Research projects	10%	of final mark
-	Final exams (4 written) & Oral/Practical exam	60%	of final mark

Instruction is presented in two sets of modules which run from September until June the first year and from September until June the second year.

Classroom and hands-on instruction consists of twenty (20) two-day classes which are held at our College in Vernon, B.C. (10 the first year – 10 the second year) We also enjoy several field trips to local equestrian facilities during the two years. Classes are held on Friday 9:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. and Saturday 8:00a.m. - 2:30p.m. (1/2 hour for lunch) from September to June. You are notified of the dates upon acceptance to the program. We accept approximately 20 students to ensure personal time.

Total tuition for the course is \$6,850.00. First year tuition is \$4,850.00 and second year tuition is \$2,000.00. There is also a \$150.00 registration fee due if you are accepted into the program.

Cost for textbooks and course material is \$650.00 and is due when textbooks are available which is usually 2 – 3 months before your first class. This figure could change slightly depending on the U.S. dollar.

A short list of applicants is usually completed by February and interview letters sent out at that time. If you have not received correspondence by March 15<sup>th</sup>, please contact us.

#### ***OTHER COURSES/CLINICS AVAILABLE***

I am available to travel for clinics as time permits. These usually consist of Basic Massage and Anatomy as well as Saddle and Tack Fitting. I also have a saddle fitting video available on request. (See our web site @ [www.saddlefitting.ca](http://www.saddlefitting.ca))

It is also on the drawing board to provide training using computer interactive technology. This will be designed to work with those in other countries.

If you require further information, please contact us at the above phone number.

Sincerely

David W. Collins  
Principal

