

Application Process:

The application process requires:

- A completed application form
- Copies of all college transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation

International students are welcome to apply but should contact the KEMI office before applying to the program.

The application form is available online or by contacting our office toll-free: 1-877-644-KEMI.

Minimum Admission Requirements:

- A cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 or better
- Previous experience in the horse industry
- A strong work ethic, dependability and personal character

Application Deadlines:

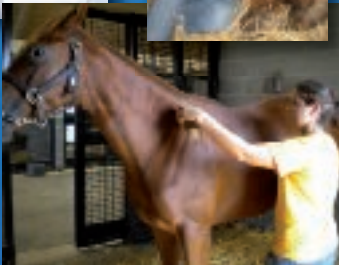
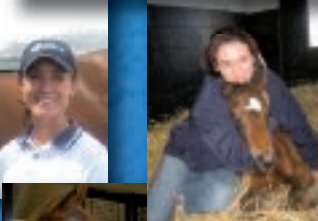
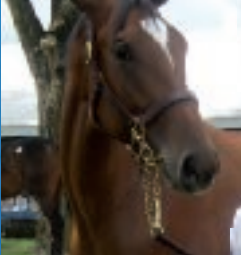
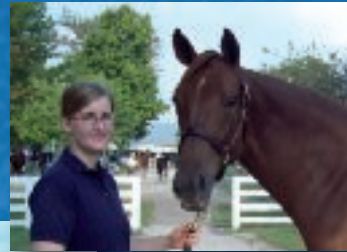
For Spring Sessions – October 31st

For Fall Sessions – April 30th

Schedule of Fees (effective Spring 2011):

- \$35.00 Application Fee (due with application)
- \$465.00 Tuition Deposit (due within 30 days of acceptance into program)
- \$1,500.00 Tuition, Books and related materials (due after completion of first week of course)

Program Total \$2,000.00



Kentucky Equine Management Internship

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Program Information

Spring Session (January-June)

The Spring KEMI session provides students with an overview of the intensive management practices used on commercial thoroughbred breeding operations. On a day-to-day basis, most students will be

involved in the care of pregnant and foaling mares.

Some farms may require students to participate in "foal watch" rotations and/or to help with neonatal care during evenings and nights.

As students become more experienced they

may be expected to take mares to breeding sheds, assist with veterinary care or perform some record keeping. There are some farms that provide opportunities for students to gain experience with stallions.



The Kentucky Equine Management Internship (KEMI) program is a 22 week internship that was established to improve the opportunities for college students wishing to pursue a career in the field of equine management.

KEMI opens the door to the Thoroughbred industry for highly motivated students with a strong work ethic and sincere interest in horses. Students develop broad-based skills through on-farm experience and weekly lectures and laboratories that enhance the integration of material learned in college courses with management techniques. Together, the employment and classroom components increase the potential for successful employment following completion of the course.

During the first week of the course, students participate in Orientation activities as a group. After the first week, students are employed full-time by participating farms where they become familiar with the day-to-day management of horses on commercial thoroughbred farms.

On area farms, a typical full-time work week is 48 hours per week with one day off. In most cases, students work hands-on with horses, however some farms may also assign responsibilities associated with record keeping, veterinary care or farm maintenance.

Fall Session (July-December)

During the Fall session most students will be placed with farms that prepare horses for commercial auctions. There are major thoroughbred sales almost monthly beginning in July. Students gain experience in

the techniques for preparing yearlings, weanlings and broodmares for sale and have the opportunity to learn about the factors that affect the value of an individual horse including pedigree, conformation and soundness. Students working for farms with sales horses should expect to work extended hours during the sale.

A few host sites offer opportunities to work with horses under saddle; however, these opportunities are limited and students must meet strict criteria for riding ability and height/weight restrictions.

