



Equine – Draft Division Internship

Supervisor: Andy Fritag
Status: Unpaid, 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. The KHP is visited by approximately one million visitors annually from all over the world. Visitors can see more than 40 different breeds of horses, on 1,200 acres of majestic bluegrass land, ride horse drawn trolley tours and attend shows at the Hall of Champions, Breeds Barn and Kids' Barns. They 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 the KHP Draft Horses and one of the most active facilities on the KHP providing three trolley rides daily with multiple trolleys also participating in the Breeds Barn show regularly. The intern 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.

- Serve as a source of information for all of the activities and programs of the park.
- Daily grooming, bathing and turn in/out of horses. Feeding/watering, cleaning stalls, tack, and facility.
- Keeping all areas of the barn organized and tidy through out the day.
- Harness and hitch horses in teams and single, present trolley tour to the public from memorized script.
- Assist with special activities and education.

Requirements:

- Must be enrolled as a student of a college or university.
- Complete online internship application, waiver and background check at kyhorsepark.com
- Attend an interview, orientation and tour.
- Basic Equine skills and knowledge.
- Excellent communication, customer service and interpersonal skills.
- Strong time-management skills.
- Must be able to lift 45lbs above shoulders and physically able to walk several miles daily.
- Send cover letter and resume to annie.hickey@ky.gov.

For questions, contact:

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