

Reedley College

1 - Animal Packing

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: Developing skills in pack animal use. Experience in packing animals, handling and safety, trail health care and feeding all under trail conditions.

CLASS MEETING: Thursdays 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Pavilion and field trips. Instructor [redacted], office hours MTF, 11:00, Ag5 or by appointment, Extension 3355 (message) or dial 638-0355 anytime.

OBJECTIVES: Students will be able to:

Develop horsemanship, trail safety and packing skills in trail conditions

Learn terminology of the animals, equipment and forest regulations

Practice preparing loads, packing and tying various hitches

Experience various trail conditions and learn safety precautions with animals

COURSE DISCUSSION: Packing will introduce the student to basic skills involved in the packing industry used primarily in the Sierra. This class will provide information on various aspects of the packing business and prepare the student for entry level skills.

TEXT: "Packing in Pictures", available in the bookstore. Recommend using "The Horse" for reference. Handouts will be provided.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Horsemanship

Feeding and health care

Riding Instruction

Forest regulations

Handling packing equipment

Trail skills and safety

Packing and loading

Camping requirements

CLASS REQUIREMENTS:

Attendance: Satisfactory attendance as per board policy must be maintained

Clothing: Suitable clothing for outdoors: cold, dirty trail conditions. Suitable leather boots for riding and packing.

Students must be prepared for trail conditions.

GRADING: Points will be accumulated during the semester on attendance, quizzes, performance and skill tests and written mid-term and final. Letter grade based on quizzes and attendance 10%; midterm 10%, lab final 60%, written final 20%.

[redacted] May 11, 2:00 p.m. written final May 19, 8:00 a.m.