

**ANSC 312 EQUESTRIAN TECHNOLOGY**  
SECTION 501 ADVANCED WESTERN LAB  
T/TH 8:00-9:20  
Lab Syllabus

**Lab starts at 8 am. Instructors will be present by 7:45 am—no handling of horses prior to arrival of instructors. If you are not astride by 8:20 am, you will be considered absent.**

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>TOPICS</u>
1	Introduction, facilities, safety, grooming, tacking, longeing, <b>Pre-Semester Riding Evaluation</b>
2	Mounting, dismounting, riding position, longeing with partner, suppling exercises on the longe, 2- vs. 3-pt position
3	Suppling exercises, Basic rein and leg aids, riding hall maneuvers, Canter and leads
4	Posting trot, Circles at trot and canter, Turn on the forehand
5	Work on gait transitions, <b>Riding Evaluation I</b>
6	Reinback, Leg-yielding, Turn on the haunches (HQ pivot), simple lead changes
7	Patterns, Half-halts, Lengthening and shortening stride, Stops
8	Galloping, Patterns, <b>Circle Lesson</b>
9	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>
10	Counter-canter, Patterns, Work on all maneuvers, <b>Riding Evaluation II</b>
11	The Trail Horse, Barrel Racing exercises
12	<b>Peer Lesson</b> , Turning back on the fence
13	The Reining Horse
14	The Western Pleasure Horse/ Western Horsemanship Horse
15	Practice pattern, <b>Riding Evaluation III</b>

**STUDENTS MUST BE PRESENT ON TEST RIDE DAYS – NO MAKE-UPS!!**

## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES FOR WESTERN LAB

Correct seat at all gaits  
Posting trot with demonstration of correct diagonal without looking  
Changes of diagonal  
Two-point position at trot  
Forehand pivots- both directions  
Sidepass- both directions  
Reinback  
Leg Yield- both directions  
Hindquarter pivots- both directions  
Rollbacks on fence  
Simple lead changes in figure-eight  
Flying lead changes (optional)  
Count steps/strides at jog/lope  
Ride one-handed correctly  
Lengthen and shorten stride at jog and lope  
Ride jog circle with counter-bend

These specific objectives are to be demonstrated by the student at some point during the semester. Each student must demonstrate some proficiency of each objective in order to receive credit.