I. **TITLE:**

Advanced Stock Seat

II. **CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

This course is concerned with basic training techniques and the development of equitation skills using the western seat.

Prerequisite: AGR 201 – Intermediate Horsemanship and approval of the instructor.

III. **PURPOSE:**

To introduce students to basic principles of training and developing a green broke horse to a more advanced level.

IV. **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

A. To advance a young horse that has already been started under saddle to a higher level of training.
B. To take a young horse with problems and advance it to a higher level of training.
C. To give the student a better understanding of the concept of “cause and effect” riding.
D. Loading a young horse.
E. Teaching a horse how to side pass and respond to other cues.

V. **CONTENT OUTLINE:**

None

VI. **INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

Reading will be assigned periodically throughout the semester to coincide with activities being carried out in class. Students will be assigned a research paper that will be due one week prior to finals week. Student’s attendance will be taken and given a numerical value that will be equal to one test. Periodic demonstrations will be performed in class. Basic training concepts will be
taught during class periods with the expectations that students will expand upon them in and out of class. There will be two written skills tests, two riding skills tests, and periodic pop quizzes.

VII. **FIELD AND CLINICAL EXPERIENCES:**

Rider must have obtained the level of riding to an intermediate rider in either stock seat or hunt seat.

VIII. **RESOURCES:**

A. Required text.
B. Students are required to wear a boot or shoe with a heel.
C. Students must have proof of insurance.

IX. **GRADING PROCEDURES:**

Grading Scale:
- 90 – 100 = A
- 80 – 89 = B
- 70 – 79 = C
- 60 – 69 = D
- Below 60 = E

X. **ATTENDANCE POLICY:**

Please refer to the most current copy of the *Murray State University’s Undergraduate Bulletin and Graduate Bulletin*. Three unexcused absences will lower your letter grade one letter.

XI. **ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY:**

(Adopted by the MSU Board of Regents)

Cheating, plagiarism (submitting another person’s material as one’s own), or doing work for another person which will receive academic credit are all impermissible. This includes the use of unauthorized books, notebooks, or other sources in order to secure or give help during an examination, the unauthorized copying of examinations, assignments, reports, term papers, or the presentation on unacknowledged material as if it were the student’s own work. Disciplinary action may be taken beyond the academic discipline administered by the faculty member who teaches the course in which the cheating took place.

NOTE: The School of Agriculture Faculty have adopted and implemented an Academic Honesty Policy in addition to the University Honesty Policy, which can be found in the current *Undergraduate Bulletin and Graduate Bulletin*. The policy sets guidelines regarding acts of dishonesty and the procedure to
follow should an event occur. It is each Agriculture student’s responsibility to obtain and read a copy of this document. The School’s Academic Honesty Policy can be obtained by asking for a copy from any Agriculture Faculty member or the Secretary.

XII. **TEXT AND REFERENCES:**

*Riding/School/Western Horse*, 1st edition, 1982, Simon and Schuster

XIII. **PREREQUISITES:**

AGR 201 – Intermediate Horsemanship and approval of the instructor.

XIV. **STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY:**

Murray State University endorses the intent of all federal and state laws created to prohibit discrimination. Murray State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, veteran status, or disability in employment, admissions, or the provision of services and provides, upon request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford individuals with disabilities equal access to participate in all programs and activities. For more information, contact Sabrina Y. Dial, Director of Equal Opportunity, Murray State University, 103 Wells Hall, Murray, KY 42071-3318. Telephone: 270-809-3155 (voice), 270-809-3361 (TDD).

XV. **MSU SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE CELL PHONE POLICY**

The School of Agriculture recognizes that in today’s world cell phones are a familiar and often necessary form of communication for students.

It shall be the policy of the School that no cell phone usage shall be allowed in class and/or labs without the prior consent of the course instructor. This shall include verbal calling, incoming calls, email, text messaging, and use of cell phone calculators on tests and quizzes.

Cell phones must be kept off and out of sight (i.e. secured to a person’s belt or kept in a bag or purse away from desks and lab counters).

Should a student’s cell phone be visible, ring, or other form of unauthorized usage that is interruptive to the class or lab, the student may be asked to leave class and not return for that class/lab period.
Upon prior consent of the instructor, a student may obtain permission to have their phone on in case of an emergency or in critical family situations. This policy also includes pagers and other electronic equipment such as blackberries and/or computers/laptops.