We have established biosecurity measures to reduce the risk of diseases being brought into or carried off of the farm. Please respect any instructions in this pamphlet, and any signs or other notices posted on or in buildings. We also ask that you do not touch the horses, for your safety and the safety of the horses. We want to avoid spreading any illness from barn to barn which is especially important for the pregnant mares and foals.

1 The heated Brainard-Kasten Colt Barn has 50 individual stalls equipped with automatic waterers and in-stall ventilation. The south end of the barn has informal classroom space used for unmounted equine management courses. In the summer and fall, this building provides stalling for shows, clinics and camps hosted at our facility. In the spring, the barn fills with two-year-old colts used in the Colts-in-Training class. While some of these colts are bred and raised at the university, the majority are consigned by outside breeders, trainers and owners in the horse industry. Students enrolled in the Colts-in-Training course are assigned an unstarted young horse and are taught aspects of the training process, progressing from initial groundwork, through the first rides in the roundpen and subsequent training during the course of one semester. Students also learn techniques in equine marketing and sales, culminating in preparing their assigned colts for the annual UWRF Colt Sale the first Saturday in May.

Our class fees are generally less than other schools, yet we still aim to provide a quality horse for each individual student in a class.

2 The indoor riding arena accommodates our riding lab classes as well as serves as practice space for students in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). Students competing on the Hunt and Western Show Teams represent UWRF at IHSA shows across our region and nationally. In 2014, the Western Team qualified for IHSA Nationals, taking 5th place! This arena also provides a space for horse shows, clinics, judging competitions and numerous student organization activities.

We employ 10-12 students on the Campus Farm.

3 The mare/foal barn was built in 2012. As part of our equine breeding program, students are assigned pregnant mares to foal out during spring semester. Students learn all aspects of pregnant mare management and care of foals during their first days and weeks of life. Students then learn the process of re-breeding the mare for the coming year including implementation of live, cooled and frozen breeding methods. Stallion management is also incorporated as a part of this program. This barn is also periodically used to house horses that are part of applied undergraduate research studies. These projects allow students the opportunity to work with faculty in the research process - conception, design, execution, data collection and analysis. Past projects include feeding palatability trials and diet/diabetes studies.

The Animal and Food Science Department website has a list of stables in the area for students that are interested in having their horse nearby. We do not board student horses on the farm.

4 The pavilion building currently provides classroom space for equine production labs as well as serving as the site for our equine breeding operations including stallion collection, semen processing and mare ultrasound and insemination. This building is the campus top priority for renovation. While the building footprint would essentially remain the same, classroom and lab spaces would be expanded and upgraded to better accommodate the needs of our equine courses and students.

We use stall, paddock and pasture management techniques on the farm.

5 Since 1964, the rodeo arena comes alive every September when the UWRF Rodeo Club hosts the Falcon Frontier Days Rodeo. This is the only college rodeo east of the Mississippi River. Students do not have to own a horse or rodeo competitively to be a member of the club. There are students from a variety of majors across campus participating in the rodeo club and on the team. The arena also serves as an outdoor space for riding and exercising the horses.

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The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences operates two laboratory farms which are an integral part of our educational programs. Many classes in animal science, crop and soil science, horticulture, environmental science and agricultural engineering technology meet on the farms for the laboratory portion of the course. Students work on the farms, and can advance to become a student manager for one of the enterprises. In addition to class activities the farms also serve as a resource for applied research projects and outreach programming.

The Campus Farm was opened in 1960 after the campus began encroaching on the original farm which was located on the site of the present Ag Science building. The last production agriculture operation – the dairy herd – moved to the Mann Valley Farm in 2007 when the Dairy Learning Center complex was completed. The 130 acre farm is now primarily devoted to the equine program. There are an additional 32 acres to the northwest dedicated to horticulture, specifically fruit breeding and research, and 8 acres of forest land.

We have three groups of horses on campus:

- The teaching herd used by riding and management classes, as well as students in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association
- The reproduction herd consisting of our stallion and mares and UWRF weanlings and yearlings produced through our breeding program.
- Two-year-old colts consigned to the Colts-in-Training Program