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Equipment, Extra Cost and Suggested  
Reading for

# MSc Equine Performance Science

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We are looking forward to welcoming you to your veterinary physiotherapy course at Writtle College. This equipment list will give you an idea of what you will need to start your course. You might have some of these at home already if you are used to handling horses.

## Equipment

- Pens, pencils, paper and folders for note taking
- Clipboard
- You might find a digital camera/smart phone useful for taking photos/videos during practicals when appropriate
- A suitable laptop for your studies. For further consideration, please check our [Student Laptop Recommendation](#) page
- Riding hat or skull cap. This includes using a recognised-standard riding hat (this needs to meet current safety standards: The current BHS-recognised standards are EN1384:1996 with CE mark, BSEN1384:1997 with CE mark, PAS015:2011 with BSI kitemark, ASTM F1163:2004a with SEI mark, E2001 with Snell certification label and AS/NZ 3838:2006 with SAI global mark)-  
- (protective headwear must be worn when leading and lunging)
- Riding gloves (gloves have to be worn when leading and lunging)
- Steel toe cap boots
- Lab coat

## **PLEASE NOTE**

no sleeveless tops, shorts or hoodies are allowed whilst working on the yard. Tops and jackets should be plain and must not have large motifs or embellishments. If jeans are worn they must be smart (no rips or embellishments). This is a working yard with many users and visitors so all clothes must be smart and professional at all times.

## Extra costs

Whilst attending the MSc EPS some extra/hidden costs are to be considered. Primarily, they will be related to the equipment and material mentioned above.

## Suggested Reading

Many students ask us to recommend books for them to buy or read before they start. All the books that you will need are available from the library once you are here so there is no need to rush out and buy any. Each module will have a suggested reading list including a number of books and as you progress through the course you will be encouraged to use less books and more journal articles in your reading, which again are available through the library.

If you are really keen to buy books before you come, some of the books that are recommended are:

Back, W. and Clayton, H. M. (2013) *Equine Locomotion*. Philadelphia: Saunders. Available at: <https://www.vlebooks.com/Vleweb/Product/Index/568928>

Geor, R.J., Coenen, M. and Harris, P.A. (eds.) (2013) *Equine applied and clinical nutrition: health, welfare and performance*. Oxford: Saunders. Available at: <https://www.vlebooks.com/Vleweb/Product/Index/173159>

Hodgson, D.R., McKeever, K.H. and McGowan, C.M. (2013) *The athletic horse : principles and practice of equine sports medicine*. 2nd edn. St. Louis: Saunders/Elsevier. Available at: <https://www.vlebooks.com/Vleweb/Product/Index/568820>

McGreevy, P., Winther Christensen, J., König von Borstel, U. and McLean, A. (2018) *Equitation science*. 2nd edn. Chichester: Wiley Blackwell. Available at: <http://www.vlebooks.com/vleweb/product/openreader?id=WRITTLE&acclid=8554156&isbn=9781119241447>

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