# **Lantra Awards Level 5 Diploma in Equine Podiatry**



# At a glance...

#### Qualification

Recognised by: The Equine Podiatry Association

Prerequisites: Entry to this qualification requires individuals to hold:

- competent IT skills e.g. able to use email, word processor, etc.
- past experience around Equidae e.g. horse owner, worked in an equine-related role, etc.
- GCSE English and Maths or equivalent
- an A-Level or equivalent qualification.

# Introduction

This qualification has been designed for individuals wishing to undertake a career as an Equine Podiatrist. It provides the opportunity to achieve a nationally recognised qualification that reflects the National Occupational Standards for the activities they carry out.

#### Overview in brief

This qualification will enhance the your ability to work safely, effectively and efficiently in the

workplace, thus reducing unnecessary risk to both yourself and others, while also ensuring that animal welfare is prioritised at all times.

## The finer details

The qualification aims to assess the Learner's knowledge, skills and understanding of:

- The history and legislation associated with Equine Podiatry
- Equine anatomy and physiology
- Equine assessment, imaging and gait analysis
- Equine nutrition and environment



- Practice and professionalism in Equine Podiatry
- Equine behaviour and handling
- Equine pathologies and laminitis
- Awareness of farriery.



#### Who should attend?

This qualification is for you if you are wishing to undertake a career as an Equine Podiatrist. As you'll appreciate, this course contains some practical activity that will require a minimum level of fitness. If you have any concerns, please speak to the Provider.

## What will be covered?

At the end of this qualification, you will know:

- the legal context within which the Equine Podiatry profession exists
- the history of barefoot trimming and the influences behind the development and progression of Equine Podiatry
- the basic anatomy equids, including general anatomy, lower limb anatomy and hoof anatomy
- the importance of scientific evaluation and interpretation of the evidence base when studying Equine Podiatry, including diagnostic approaches and record keeping
- how the equid's environment impacts on foot health
- how to trim equine hooves to an appropriate standard, including appropriate tool handling and maintenance
- how to work with and handle equids for the purposes of Equine Podiatry, in a fashion that is both safe for the equid and all personnel involved
- how to recognise and respond appropriately to the full range of pathologies that can occur in the equine foot
- professional farriery and those aspects that may be pertinent to the role of Equine **Podiatrist**
- the importance of maintaining good working relationships with clients, Veterinary Surgeons (UK practising) and Farriers.

