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All aspects of horsemanship will be covered in horse and horsemanship courses at The Lindenwood Colleges, St. Charles, Missouri, in the "A to Z Horse Institute," to be held June 9 - 14.

Appropriately titled, the Institute includes 26 subjects in 45 hours of instruction, such as feeding, breeding, health, English and western riding, showing, tack, business management, and training. There will also be a farrier (horse shoeing) training course conducted from June 3 - 14 on the campus.

"The courses are designed to offer the widest possible range of training for horse enthusiasts, whether amateur or professional," says Mrs. Fern Palmer Bittner, director of Lindenwood's horsemanship program and campus director of the summer program. These courses may be taken for college credit.

The farrier training course deals with the shoeing of the horse "from the forge to the foot." The student will be capable of making shoes and fitting them on the feet of a horse by the end of the course.

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"A to Z Horse Institute" at Lindenwood/2

"Horses are an important part of our economy," Mrs. Bittner says. "Horse supplies and products contributed approximately \$8.5 billion in 1974. The horse population in this nation exceeds 8 million head today, and is expected to reach 12 million within the next five years. In addition, horse projects in 4-H clubs now outnumber all other projects."

A faculty of top professionals will conduct the school. The "A to Z Horse Institute" is under the direction of Dr. Jim Dollahor, Dean of the College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Enrollment is limited because students will be working with horses and equipment in practical situations under close supervision. Interested horsemen should apply early.

Application materials and a detailed brochure are available from Mrs. Fern Bittner, Horses A to Z, The Lindenwood Colleges, St. Charles, MO 63301.

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