

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## NICKY M. OVERGAARD

### **Current Appointment:**

Instructor, Department of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, Crookston, Fall  
2005 – Present

### **Past Appointment:**

Teaching Specialist, Department of Agriculture, University of Minnesota,  
Crookston, Fall 1998 - Present

### **Education:**

**2004 to 2005, University of Mary, Bismarck, North Dakota**

MMgt., Business Management

**1992 to 1996, University of Minnesota, Crookston**

B.S., Equine Industries Management

### **Employment:**

- 2005 to Present, Instructor, Department of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, Crookston
- 1996 to Present, Owner/Trainer, Grand Forks Performance Horses
- 1998 to 2005, Teaching Specialist, Department of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, Crookston

### **Teaching Responsibilities:**

**University of Minnesota, Crookston**

#### *Courses Regularly Taught*

EqSc 1000. Light Horse Driving.

EqSc 1100. Western Equitation.

EqSc 1202. Equine Evaluation.

EqSc 1300. Saddle Seat Equitation.

EqSc 2112. Riding Instructor Training.

EqSc 3303. Equine Reproductive Techniques.

-Course Development

EqSc 3413. Horse Training and Showing.

EqSc 3441. Topics in Advanced Western Equitation.

-Course Development

EqSc 3443. Topics in Advanced Equitation Over Fences.

-Course Development

EqSc 4102. Equine Management

#### *Other Courses Taught*

EqSc 1200. Hunt Seat and Dressage Equitation.

EqSc 2102. Horse Production. Lab Instructor.  
EqSc 3412. Equine Behavior and Training.  
-Course Development

### **Outreach / Service Activities**

- 2001 to 2005. Coordinator – 4-H Horsemanship Clinics
- 2001, 2002. Coordinator/Presenter – Minnesota 4-H Horse Judging Seminar
- 1999 to 2005. Chair – Ag Activities Day Horse Judging Contest
- 1999 to 2005. Chair/Co-Chair – Regional FFA Horse Judging Contest
- Judge – Certified Minnesota 4-H Judge
- 2004 – 2005. President - Zone 9, Region 3 Intercollegiate Horse Show Association
- 2000. Co-Chair – National NACTA Horse Judging Contest
- 2003, 2004. Member of Selection Committee for Equine Industries Management position
- 1999. Continuing Education through Colorado State University, Certificate for completion of Handling and Utilizing Cooled Shipped Semen. Equine Reproduction Management and Artificial Insemination. Cooled and Frozen Semen.
- 2002. Continuing Education through University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Certificate for Equine Reproduction and Artificial Insemination.
- 1999 to 2004. Coordinate Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Dressage, Training and Jumping Clinics for UMC students. Clinicians brought in: Kim Huver, Michelle White, John Wolf, Lyle Wick, Joey Jorgenson, Mary Konu, Jonathon Holland.

### **Advising:**

#### **2002 to Present. Academic Advisor.**

2002 – 2003: 23 Advisees

2003 – 2004: 30 Advisees

2004 – 2005: 36 Advisees

\*Meet with individuals to plan class schedule according to career goals.

\*Advisement on where to go for internship and employment after graduation.

\*Interact with students during classes, in the barn, in the arena, or in my office concerning grades, family matters, personal problems, horse show results, etc.

#### **1999 to 2004. Club Advisor – Horseman's Association, 40 members.**

\*Help coordinate and join in on many horse shows, fundraisers, community service projects, and club field trips.

#### **2003. Coach – NACTA Horse Judging Team, 6 members.**

\*Teach how to judge and give reasons.

\*Listen to and critique many sets of reasons.

\*Travel to competition with team members and UMC NACTA organization.

#### **1999 to 2002. Coach - Intercollegiate Horse Show Association. Western and Hunt Seat Teams. 20 – 40 members.**

- \*Teach, coach and critique many various riding levels.
- \*Travel with team on road trips.
- \*Coached two teams to Zone Competition, 3 Individuals to Nationals.

**Professional Memberships:**

American Quarter Horse Association  
Appaloosa Horse Club  
American Paint Horse Association

**Presentations:**

1. North Dakota State University. 2004. Clinician Seminar. Title: Fitting and Grooming.
2. Fargo/Moorhead Posse Horse Show Club. 2003, 2004. Clinician. Title: Horsemanship and Western Pleasure Clinic.
3. Bemidji Saddle Club. 2001, 2002. Clinician. Title: Horsemanship Clinic.
4. Minnesota 4-H Judging Seminar. 2001, 2002. Title: Judging Mechanics for English Pleasure and English Equitation.
5. University of Minnesota, Crookston. Guest Lecturer. 2002 – 2004. Animal Reproduction, Lactation and AI. Title: Equine Reproduction Lab.
6. Bemidji 4-H Horse Program. 2005. Clinician. Title: English Pleasure and English Equitation.