A Tradition of Excellence:
Well over 200 apprentices having completed the UVM Morgan Horse Farm apprenticeship program since its conception in the early 1970’s. Motivated participants utilize their experience to build a foundation for a career in the equine industry.

- Approximate 45 hour work week with 2 days off
- Paid hourly stipend
- On-site housing, utilities included
- Recommended year-long commitment

Apprentices are given the chance to learn and practice all aspects of the equine industry. A year long commitment introduces them to training, breeding, management, sales and marketing, herd health, and much more.

Educational Opportunities in a Historic Setting
On the National Register for Historic Sites, the UVM Morgan Horse Farm is a working farm of about 40 Morgan horses, with 6-10 foals born each year. A busy tourism attraction May-Oct, the farm is open to the public and has been a part of the University of Vermont since 1951.

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University of Vermont Morgan Horse Farm Apprentice Program

**Daily Responsibilities:**
- Daily chores of cleaning and feeding
- Turnout and exercising
- Assisting with herd health
- Rotational night checks
- Attending horse shows and expositions
- Assisting with farm events and provide guided tours during tourism season
- Assisting with educational opportunities with UVM and the general public
- Learning to operate farm equipment and perform basic maintenance

**Training & Handling**
Apprentices are exposed to and learn handling approaches for a variety of horses in this program, including foals, young horses in training, broodmares, and breeding stallions.
- Halter breaking and desensitization
- Teaching horses to tie, bathe, clip, and load on a trailer
- Starting young horses in tack, bitting, and long lining & progression to hitching in harness and going under saddle

**Reproduction & Foaling**
The benefit to the year-long time commitment is that apprentices learn and participate in the full equine reproductive cycle.
- Tease mares and determine estrus
- Handle stallions for teasing and breeding
- Artificial insemination procedures, including collecting stallions, semen and breeding dose analysis, and mare insemination.
- Routine management for pregnant mares, including nutrition and veterinary care
- Determine parturition & assist with foaling