

LAMENESS IN SPORT HORSES

Study Programme: MIMV **Curricular Year:** 4th **Semester:** 8th **Optional** **Credits:** 2,5 ECTS

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1. Contact hours: Lectures: 16h **Practicals:** 8h

2. Objectives:

To give students theoretical and practical knowledge and some practical clinical skills in equine lameness diagnosis.

Students must get skills in lameness diagnosis in a systematic way through anamnesis, patient history, symptom evaluation and history registration. They must be able to select complementary information and exams in order to perform a definitive diagnosis. Communication skills with clients and medical staff, and correct horse handling are also requested.

3. Program:

The program includes subjects like: gait and mechanics of movement in the horse; lameness in dressage horses and in show jumping horses; lameness in pleasure horses and in stallions/broodmares; lameness in driving horses and in endurance horses; imaging: ultrasonography and image interpretation; imagiology: X-ray exam and image interpretation; orthopedic shoeing; diagnostic analgesia through regional anesthesia.

4. Bibliography:

Baxter, G.M. (2011). *Adams and Stashk's Lameness in horses*. 6th ed.. Blackwell Publishing Ltd.
Butler, J., Colles, C., Dyson, S., Kold, S. & Poulos, P. (2008). *Clinical radiology of the horse*. 3^a edição, Wiley.
Kidd, J.A., Lu, K.G. & Frazer, M.L. (2014). *Atlas of equine ultrasonography*. Wiley-Blackwell.
Pollitt, C.C. (2000). *Color atlas of the horse's foot*. Mosby-Wolfe.
Ross, M.W. & Dyson, S.J. (2010). *Diagnosis and management of lameness in the horse*. 2^a edição, Saunders.

4. Assessment

The student's knowledge is evaluated in the end by a written exam with memorization questions and/or recognition questions and/or summarization questions.