



Oatridge College and Study Abroad Academic Credit for U.S. Students

Colleges in Scotland are accredited by SQA, the Scottish Qualification Authority (www.sqa.org.uk) SQA is the only National Awarding Body and therefore is the paramount organization in terms of status. All courses and units delivered by Oatridge College (www.oatridge.ac.uk) are assessed, verified and certificated following SQA procedures. As such, these studies are delivered by Oatridge under the auspices of SQA. Oatridge College transcripts reflect what has been submitted to SQA for certification from Oatridge College, as a devolved center.

The Equine and Ecology Summer Schools were created as study abroad programs for U.S. students with the assistance of Adelante Abroad, LLC and faculty at the University of Arkansas. The Equine Summer School was established in 2009 through the cooperation of various faculty members at the University of Arkansas and the administration and staff at Oatridge College. Animal Science professors at the University of Arkansas evaluated the academic content and selected two courses (modules), “Equine Fitness” and “Equine Anatomy and Physiology”, to be offered in the study abroad program.

Working with the University of Arkansas Registrar’s Office, the University of Arkansas Director of Graduate and International Recruitment and Admissions reviewed the credentials of Oatridge College, the Scottish Qualification Authority and approved credit for the two courses on March 25, 2010. A similar process was followed in 2012 for evaluating the two courses for the Ecology Summer School. For successfully completing the two equine courses, the UA awarded transfer credit as follows:

1. DP1G 34 Equine Anatomy and Physiology, 4.0 UA credit hours at the Sophomore or 2000 level. Transfer as Animal Science ANSC 299T
2. DP1J 34 Equine Fitness, 2.0 UA credit hours at the Sophomore or 2000 level. Transfer as Animal Science ANSC 299T

Although other U.S. universities may award credit differently, all students who have successfully completed the two courses have earned transfer credit from the following U.S. universities: the University of Arkansas, Auburn University, Clemson University, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, University of Missouri, University of Kentucky, Southern Illinois University, Midway College, William Woods University, University of California at Davis, Otterbein University, Scripps College, Montana State University, Towson University, Texas A & M, Washington State and Gettysburg College.