

Course Description

This course is designed to equip you with the expertise needed to effectively manage the nutrition and well-being of livestock. Throughout this program, you will learn to assess livestock condition and nutritional requirements, enabling you to make informed decisions about their dietary needs. Furthermore, you'll gain the ability to evaluate available pasture for grazing and develop and implement feeding plans, optimizing the health and productivity of your animals. This course is ideal for individuals who work independently under broad guidance, taking personal responsibility for their tasks within a variety of contexts. Join us in mastering the art of livestock nutrition and contribute to the success and health of your livestock.

Course Outcome

AHCLSK311 Implement feeding plans for livestock

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This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to monitor available pasture for grazing and implementing a feeding plan.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, work health and safety, animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice and sustainability practices.

This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities and work in a range of known contexts.

All units of competency dealing with animals in the AHC Training Package have the requirements for animals to be handled humanely to minimise stress and discomfort.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Orion Training (RTO Code: 30915) holds Animal Ethics Committee approval in NSW, Qld and Victoria based on our training practices that ensure the safe handling of livestock.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Entry Requirements

There are no pre-requisites for this course however students will need to meet the following entry requirements:

- AQF level II written and spoken English;
- Numeracy skills to meet the Foundation skills required for this unit of competency;
- Completion of a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) assessment;
- General knowledge and practical skills gained through vocational experience in farming; and
- Access to a computer (device) and internet to complete the online training component.

Training Venue and Delivery Mode

Students complete work-related training and assessment activities in an appropriate training facility using a face a face approach with their trainer.

The courses are delivered throughout regions of Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria. Courses may take place at professional facilities where the required facilities and equipment are in place and available.

Student candidates will be offered a place in the nearest course to their locality or in their preferred location. Confirmation of delivery location will be provided via email.

Training Duration and Schedule

Students complete preliminary online learning in their own time and location prior to attendance on-site. The practical component is delivered over several days depending on the facilities and equipment available and specific learning outcomes. Please contact Orion Training for more information on the duration and schedule of the course.

Training Cost

Course fees are structured based on the facility where the course is delivered. Please contact Orion for more information on fees in your location. Fees will be invoiced in advance and must be paid by the agreed party prior to the commencement of the course. Please refer to Orion Student Handbook for further information about payment terms, refunds and complaints and appeals policies. <https://oriontraining.edu.au/student-handbook/>

Assessment

To demonstrate competency in this unit, the candidate must provide evidence that they can;

- monitor pasture health and condition
- assess herd/flock health and condition and live weight
- identify livestock nutritional requirements
- order feed if requested in line with feeding plan
- identify feeding problems and animals that require individual treatment
- handle livestock humanely and monitor animal welfare
- respond to or report negative environmental impacts of feeding
- apply relevant biosecurity, animal welfare and environmental sustainability policies

Course Materials and Equipment

To complete the preliminary online activities, Students will need access to a computer and reliable internet. On-site training incorporates a comprehensive theoretical component. Orion will provide Students with learning and assessment materials to complete the theory and the written final assessment requirements.

Orion will provide all necessary training facilities and equipment to undertake the mandatory practical training and assessment activities

Ordinarily, Students are not required to provide any materials or equipment in order to undertake training and assessment. However, where a training venue stipulates a need for Students to bring a specific item, Students will be notified prior to the scheduled start date.