In this practicum, you will develop safe techniques for trail riding, ride the UConn trail system, become comfortable outside the arena and learn best practices for trail riding. We may have some wildlife sightings! On past trail rides we have seen deer and owls. In inclement weather, you will work on equitation, negotiate various trail obstacles or play gymkhana games in the indoor arena. Indoor riding time will be one hour, outdoor trail riding time will be one to one and a half hours.

Please plan to arrive at the horse barn by 8:30 AM to get your horse ready so that we can head out on the trail or to the arena promptly at 9:00 AM.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older, should have intermediate or higher riding experience and may ride in English or Western tack. No sneakers or sandals allowed, boots with a heel and long pants must be worn.

Registration will be on a first come, first served basis, space is limited to 7 participants.

**Prior to registering for UConn’s Trail Riding practicum, individuals who have never ridden in UConn’s trail program or who have not participated in our trail program for over a year, will be required to attend a riding evaluation lesson so riding skills can be assessed. The individual evaluation lesson will take approximately 1 hour (includes tacking and untacking horse) and will be conducted by the UConn Horse Riding Program Director. You will be asked to demonstrate that you can walk, trot and canter in control as well as mount your horse without assistance. The cost of the assessment is $37.00 and needs to be completed one week prior to the start of the session.

Please contact Dr. Jenifer Nadeau, Trail Riding Instructor, at jenifer.nadeau@uconn.edu for more information if you are interested in registering for trail.

**Trail Practicum Lessons and Fees**

*1 Trail Lesson per Week = $407.00*

Time approximately 8:30 AM – 11 AM including tacking and untacking

Mondays, from September 10th – December 3rd, 2019 (NO CLASS on November 11)