



Equip education & training grant programme

Jockeys

Equip is committed to offering assistance, financial or otherwise*, to help Jockeys to develop their skills and qualifications for their current role, or to help them prepare for life outside the saddle.

*(otherwise refers to availing of expertise and experience from within HRI for assistance or advice with an assignment, study plan, project, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE Students who have availed of HRI/equip funded bursaries or scholarships will be unable to apply for this grant. Please contact equip@hri.ie for clarification if required

Personal Development & Further Education

Where you have identified a relevant course of study, you may apply to avail of the equip education & training grant, subject to availability, should you meet the following criteria.

- You must have held a professional Jockeys licence, issued by the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board, in at least three of the past five years.
- The course being proposed must be to help you in your current role or be part of a plan towards a career beyond the saddle. This must be outlined in Application Form A in both instances.
- The course being proposed should offer a QQI award upon successful completion, courses that are not QQI accredited will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.
- The grant programme will operate on a reimbursement basis. Applicants to the grant programme will be required to apply, enrol, and pay any fees due for their selected course themselves. Equip will then reimburse part of this fee upon submission of this application form, and evidence of payment, e.g., a receipt. The grant will be paid in two instalments (subject to duration, level & overall cost per year of course): 50% at the commencement of the course and 50% upon successful completion.
(Evidence that the course has been completed successfully must be provided to ensure payment upon completion).
- In exceptional circumstances, if equip feels it appropriate, 100% of the fees may be provided upfront. This is at the discretion of equip and based on the economic circumstances of the applicant.

- Reimbursement will not apply to any additional costs associated with repeat exams where applicable. In the event that you are required to carry out any repeat subjects, you will be fully responsible for any associated costs.

I have read the above policy in relation to the financial support given by equip towards my continued study and development and I understand all the conditions of same.

Signed

Applicant

Date

Equip education & training grant programme - Application Form A

Section (i) and section (ii) are to be completed by the applicant; section (iii) is to be completed by a representative of the training organisation.

Section (i)

Applicant Name:	_____
Address:	_____ _____
Phone Number:	_____
Email Address:	_____
HRI Account Number:	_____

Section (ii)

Course applied for	_____
College/Institute	_____
Course Duration	_____
Total cost of Course	_____
Module/Year undertaken	_____
Cost of Module/Year	_____

Section (iii)

To be completed by a representative of the school/college/training organisation

Student name:	_____
College/Institute	_____
Course Duration	_____
Total cost of Course	_____

I hereby confirm that _____ has enrolled on the above-named course:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Job title: _____

Email Address: _____

Equip education & training grant programme - Application Form B

To be completed by the applicant prior to submission to equip for approval:

Course title: _____

1. What are your goals for participation on this course?

2. How will this course be of benefit to you in your current role, or prepare you for a role outside of the saddle?

3. If you are to successfully complete this course what are your next steps?

4. Any additional non-financial support HRI can provide?

5. Will you be receiving any other financial funding e.g., Susi grant:

Signed _____
Applicant

Date _____

Approved By _____
Equip representative

Date _____

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HRI are paying the following contribution for the module/academic year being undertaken

Course fees _____

Total Contribution _____

50/50 or _____
on completion

Reimbursement Policy

In the event that you fail to complete the course, you may be liable to repay any fee payments equip have made in relation to the course of study.

In this instance, following consultation with you, a repayment plan will be scheduled, and your personal circumstances will be taken into consideration.

I hereby agree that equip may debit my personal HRI account for any fees paid over as part of the education & training grant programme:

Signed _____
Applicant

Date

Note: Repeat course/examination fees are not supported.

This agreement must be read and signed in conjunction with the attached policy which covers criteria for payment of fees, and reimbursement policy.

I accept the conditions as defined by the policy and outlined above and confirm that all information supplied herein by me, the named applicant is true and accurate.

Signed: _____
Applicant

Date: _____

Approved: _____
Equip representative

Date: _____

Signed: _____
Equip Manager

Date: _____

Checklist:

You must have supplied / completed each of the items on the below list in order for your application to be processed, if you have any queries about anything on the list, please contact Stacey McDonnell on smcdonnell@hri.ie

i) Applicant has signed and dated this document	
iii) Applicant has fully completed Application Form B	
iii) Applicant has fully completed Section (i) and Section (ii) of Application Form A	
iv) A representative of the college / training provider has fully completed Section (iii) of Application Form A	
v) A copy of the receipt from payment of course fees have been provided with the completed application form	

Please return completed application form via post or email to the following address:

Post: Stacey McDonnell

Horse Racing Ireland

Ballymany

The Curragh

Co. Kildare

Email: equip@hri.ie / smcdonnell@hri.ie