

Name: Rachel Moriarty 4th Year BBA Equine Business

Placement Partner Organisation:
Godolphin LLC

Job Description:

Groom
Yearling prep
Foaling
Breeding stock sales



What I Did:

Start Date: 1/09/2017

End date: 14/06/2018

During my time working for Godolphin, I spent time on three different farms in Lexington, Kentucky. The first farm was their yearling division. Here, I helped the team prep yearlings for the September and October Keeneland sales. In November I got the opportunity to work at Keeneland at the breeding stock sale. The second two farms were Gainsborough where I worked for 3 months and Jonabell, their headquarters, where I worked for 4 months. Here I helped managers with foaling, took mares to the breeding shed and assisted vets and farriers when needed. At Jonabell I was also given the chance to run my own barn of 18 mares and 18 foals.

Learning Outcomes:

- Horsemanship skills greatly improved
- Ability to do basic veterinary care
- Greater knowledge of horse nutrition
- How to manage people and delegate jobs
- Teamwork skills
- Time management and communication
- Pre and post foaling care of mares and foals

I thoroughly enjoyed my time working for Godolphin in Kentucky. I now know for definite I want to work in the thoroughbred industry and plan on furthering my education in this area once I graduate by hopefully doing the Irish National Stud Course.

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