New equine simulator model provides impetus to equine clinical training in the Faculty

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The new multipurpose equine simulator model

Equine clinical training in the Faculty of Veterinary Science recently received a welcome boost when a brand-new multipurpose equine simulator model was unveiled in its Skills Laboratory. The model includes a very life-like ventroflexion of the head and neck and students will now be able to pass a nasogastric tube.

According to Dr Kate May, manager of the Skills Laboratory, a depiction of the cervical spine is included to enable students to better orientate themselves when doing an intramuscular injection into the neck. They will also be able to do jugular venipuncture.

Finally, students will be able to perform broncho-alveolar lavage or transtracheal aspiration to practise the skills required to investigate respiratory problems in horses.

This model was created as a joint project between Anatomould's Liezl Kok and the Equine Clinic in the Faculty's Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital (OVAH).





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