

# Amy K. Prechter

Extended Resume

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## Education

Master of Science	<b>Montana State University – Bozeman, MT.</b> Agricultural Education, Fall 2014 College Teaching Certificate, Fall 2014 Thesis: Assessment of Equine Therapy and Learning Programs in Montana
Bachelor of Science	<b>Montana State University – Bozeman, MT.</b> Psychology, May 2012
Bachelor of Science	<b>Montana State University – Bozeman, MT.</b> Agricultural Education, May 2012
Associate of Arts	<b>Sierra Community College – Grass Valley, CA.</b> Liberal Studies, 2008

## Professional Experience

2004 to Present	<b>Owner, Instructor, Trainer</b> <i>Cedar Ridge Equine, LLC.</i> <i>Bozeman, MT.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Instruct Riding Lessons to 30 plus students on a weekly basis, (Instruction given to all ages, riding abilities and disciplines).</li><li>• Instruct approximately 3-6 clinics each year.</li><li>• Manage, plan, organize and instruct summer horse camps since 2005 (11 weeks of camp Summer 2019, serving over 150 campers each year).</li><li>• Developed and instruct personal growth and life skill development horsemanship workshops for all ages.</li></ul>
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- Train horses of a variety of ages, breeds and disciplines (colt starting to finishing work in speed/rodeo events, ranch/cow horse events, hunt seat equitation/pleasure, western equitation/pleasure, trail recreational/competition, dressage and western dressage).
- Equine reproduction: stand at stud and owned two AQHA breeding stallions and AQHA broodmares.
- Provide horse sales and consultation to horse owners, took horses on consignment, including advertising (fliers, promotional materials, internet/emails, website).

Fall 2019

**Montana State University (IHSA) Equestrian Team-Western Coach**

- Coach university students in western horsemanship and riding.

2017

**Equine Manager**

*College of Agriculture*

*Montana State University, Bozeman, MT.*

- Managed equine herd health (100 plus horses)
  - Treated horses for lameness and injuries
    - Maintained equine records
    - Equine Crew Management
  - Arena management and maintenance

Fall 2016

**Adjunct Professor**

*College of Agriculture*

*Montana State University, Bozeman, MT.*

Courses:

**EQUH 314 – Equestrian Instruction Methods**

**EQUH 114 – Beginning English Equitation**

**EQUH 110 – Western Equitation**

2003 to Present

**Instructional Assistant**

*Healing Light Institute*

*Auburn, CA.*

- Participated and assisted with Teens Matter group at Healing Light Institute.
- Helped plan and organize community teen groups and meetings.
- Summer internship – assisted with youth/teen programming and war veteran programing ‘Forgotten Soldier Program’ – 2011.
- Founded ‘Equine Quest’ program for war veterans with Donna Arz– equine assisted therapy program – 2011.
- Currently developing and implementing the first week long program for ‘Eququest’.

- 2001 to Present      **Instructional Assistant**  
*Kissing S Equine*  
*Grass Valley, CA.*
- Assisted with instructing, planning and organizing riding lessons, camps and clinics.
  - Assisted with barrel horse training, sales and consignments.
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- 2013 to 2015      **Graduate Teaching Assistant**  
*Division of Agricultural Education*  
*Montana State University, Bozeman, MT.*
- Courses:      **AgTe 355 – Power Systems Operational Control**  
**AgEd 333 – Construction Technology**  
**AgEd 312 – Communicating Agriculture**  
**AgEd 140 – Leadership Development for Agriculture**  
**AgEd 105 – Microcomputers in Agriculture**
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- 2007 to 2014      **Program Director**  
*Sacramento Valley Morgan Horse Club*  
*Grass Valley, CA.*
- Organized and planned monthly youth horse club meetings.
  - Designed and maintained website.
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- 2011 to 2012      **Advanced Riding Instructor**  
*Montana State University Summer Youth Horsemanship School Bozeman, MT.*
- Assisted in planning, organizing, implementing and teaching summer camp program activities.
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- 2003 to 2005      **Horse Care Assistant**  
*Wolf Creek Ranch, home of Cowboy Dressage*  
*Grass Valley, CA.*
- Fed, cleaned, groomed, exercised/trained horses.
  - Studied and applied Light Hand Horsemanship Training Methods.
  - Studied, trained and competed in Western Dressage and Cowboy Dressage.
  - Competed in Morgan Horse Class A, Regional and National/World Championship Level Horse Shows as Youth Rider in (Hunt Seat Equitation and Pleasure Events).
  - Participated in Light Hands Horsemanship Clinics-Santa Ynez, CA. 2009 and 2011.

Lifetime

**Manager and Operator**

*Cedar Ridge Morgans*

*Grass Valley, CA*

- Assisted with all care of horses on the ranch: feeding, stall cleaning, grooming, and exercising horses.
- Assisted with breeding and maintenance of broodmares, as well as imprinting and care of foals.
- Assisted with training (colt starting to finishing work, and showing) of Morgan Horses at Class A, Regional and National levels.
- Competed and Won numerous titles at Class A, Regional, and National and World Morgan Horse Shows in a variety of disciplines: halter, showmanship, hunt seat equitation and pleasure, western pleasure, pleasure driving, dressage and western dressage.
- Instructed Riding Lessons and Clinics to variety students of many ages, riding abilities and disciplines.

**Invited Presentations**

1. Arnold, S. & **Prechter, A.** (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019). *Team Building with Horses*. Gallatin Gallopers 4-H Club.
2. Arnold, S. & **Prechter, A.** (2016). *Personal Growth and Development with Horses*. Two workshops presented to Girl Scouts of Montana and Wyoming, Bozeman, MT.
3. Arnold, S., **Prechter, A.**, Kelly, D. & Moreaux, S. (2015). *Using horses as teaching tools*. One-day clinic presented to MSU students, faculty, and Bozeman community.
4. Arnold, S. & **Prechter, A.** (2015). *Personal Growth and Development with Horses*. Workshop presented at MSU Youth Horsemanship School, Bozeman, MT.
5. Arnold, S. & **Prechter, A.** (2015). *Horse Sense*. Workshop presented at 4H Congress, Bozeman
6. **Perry, A.** & Perry, D. (2016). *Personal Growth and Development with Horses*. Workshop presented at MSU Horsemanship School, Bozeman, MT.
7. **Prechter, A.** (2016). *Personal Growth and Development with Horses*. Workshop presented to Gallatin County 4H Youth Gallatin Gallopers 4H Club, Bozeman, MT.
8. Perry, D. & **Prechter, A.** (2016). *Introduction to Speed Events Clinic*. Clinic presented to Gallatin County 4H Saddle Stars 4H Club, Bozeman, MT.

9. **Perry, A.** (2017). *Personal Growth and Development with Horses*. Workshop presented to Gallatin County 4H Youth Gallatin Gallopers 4H Club, Bozeman, MT.

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. **Prechter, A.** & Arnold, S. (2019). *Using Horses as Teaching Tools: An Equine Guided Education Clinic*, Published Article in The Agricultural Education Magazine, January/February, Volume 91: Issue 4.
2. **Prechter, A.**, Arnold, S., & Perry, D. (2016). *The Influence of a Horsemanship Camp on Youth Leadership Life Skill Development*, Paper Presented at Western Region Association of Agricultural Education conference, Tucson, Arizona.
3. Arnold, S. & **Perry, A.** (2016). *Using horses as teaching tools*. Poster Presented at Western Region AAAE Conference, Tucson, Arizona.
4. **Prechter, A.** & Arnold, S. (2015). *An Assessment of Equine Assisted Growth Learning Association and Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship Programs in Montana*. Paper Presented at the National American Association of Agricultural Education. Conference, San Antonio, TX.

### Funded Grants

1. Arnold, S. & **Perry, A.** (2016). *Horse Quest: An Equine Assisted Learning Clinic and EAGALA Certification Part I and II trainings" – Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies AQHA Foundation Grant Request for Center Immersion Trainings on EAL and EAGALA Certification*. Submitted to AQHA Foundation. \$10,000

### Activities and Associations

Current Cert.	Certified Equine Specialist in Equine Assisted Growth Learning Therapy
Current Cert.	Certified/Current in First Aid and Adult CPR
2019 to Present	Montana Ambassador of Cowboy Dressage
2015 to Present	Gallatin Gallopers 4H Club Leader
2011 to Present	Established/operated 'Equine Quest,' an equine life skill development program
2014 Race Year	Women's Professional Rodeo Association
2007 to 2013	Gold Rush Morgan Youth Club Director
2007 to 2013	Sacramento Valley Morgan Horse Club, Youth Director and Website Chair
2003 to 2009	American Morgan Horse Association Youth Region 7 Vice President
2003 to 2009	Gold West Region 7 Morgan Horse Club, Youth Director
2006 Event	Participated in Sharon Camarillo Barrel Racing Clinic
2006 Event	Participated in Speed Williams and Clay O'Brien Team Roping School
2003 to 2004	California High School Rodeo District 3 Member and Participant; Competed in barrel racing

**Awards**

- 2019 Cowboy Dressage World Finals Riding for the Brand Competition-8<sup>th</sup> place
- 2018 Cowboy Dressage World Finals Top Hand Competitor-10<sup>th</sup> place
- 2018 'It's All About You Barrel Racing Championships' (UBRC) 3d Average Champion
- 2018 Voted Best in Bozeman Equestrian Center-Cedar Ridge Equine
- 2016 Gallatin County 4H New Project Leader of the Year Award
- 2015 Top 20 Under 40 Award Recipient for southwest Montana's top young business professionals
- 2014 'It's All About You Barrel Racing Championships' (UBRC) 2D National Champion
- 2012 Montana State University Collegiate Future Farmers of America Outstanding Senior
- 2012 Morgan Medallion Classic Class A Horse Show-1st place Western Dressage Intro. Test 1
- 2012 Morgan Grand National and World Championship Horse Show Competitor Western Dressage
- 2012 Gold West Region VII Morgan Horse Club High Point Award-2nd Western Dressage
- 2011 K. A. Winter Series High Point Open Barrels Series Winner
- 2009 American Morgan Horse Association: 6th place Dressage Seat Gold Medal Finals, Grand National and World Championship Morgan Horse Show
- 2008 Miss California Cowboys Professional Rodeo Association 1st Runner Up
- 2007 American Morgan Horse Association Promoter of the Year Award
- 2007 Gold West Region 7 Youth Scholarship Recipient
- 2007 Nevada County Horsemen Open Barrels 1D Year End High Point Winner
- 2006 Miss Penn Valley Rodeo Queen
- 2005 American Morgan Horse Association: Top Ten Finalist Hunt Seat Equitation Gold Medal Finals, Grand National and World Championship Morgan Horse Show.
- 2005 Miss Nevada County Rodeo Queen
- 2003 Intrepid Cup Award, Gold West Region 7 Morgan Horse Club
- 2003 American Morgan Horse Association Hunt Seat Equitation Gold Medal Finals Qualifier
- 2002 American Morgan Horse Association Hunt Seat Equitation Gold Medal Finals Qualifier
- 2001 American Morgan Horse Reserve Grand National and World Champion Hunter Pleasure 13 and under Finals