

Keaton Wiske

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Adaptable ranch hand with strong knowledge in daily operations of intensive management grazing. This includes herding cattle, maintaining pasture health, installing portable fencing, and maintaining water systems. Has skill in monitoring soil health conditions. Maintains an accurate record of livestock inventory. Competent at prioritizing most important tasks for cattle and land health as well as profitable ranching.

Skills

- Grazing Management
- Low Stress Livestock Handling
- Pasture Performance Evaluation
- Herd Management
- Customer Relations
- Time Management

Experience

JANUARY 2021 – AUGUST 2022

Ranch Hand / Alexander Ranch, Sun City, KS

- Completed daily care, watering, and stress-free handling of cattle in cow-calf and custom grazing operation.
- Moved animals between grazing paddocks to obtain the maximum benefit for the land and a reliable food source.
- Setup paddocks with portable electric fencing.
- Examined animals daily to detect illness and injury.

MAY 2023 – AUGUST 2023

Ranch Hand / Hungryman Grazing LLC, Manning, ND

- Moved animals 2-3 times daily between temporary grazing paddocks in a strip grazing system.
- Setup paddocks with portable electric fencing.
- Assisted in the doctoring of cattle for issues such as pink eye and foot rot.
- Assisted in the monitoring of soil and forage conditions
- Moved portable piping and water tanks between cattle pastures.

NOVEMBER 2023 – FEBRUARY 2025

Ranch Hand / River Creek Farms, Zeandale, KS

- Assist with maintenance of current fence and water infrastructure
- Assist with the processing and handling of cattle
- Assist with the feeding of cattle
- Assist with the calving process

MAY 2024 – AUGUST 2024

Intern / Downing Ranch, Dunning, NE

- Assist with maintenance of current fence and water infrastructure
- Constructed new electric high tensile fencing
- Move cattle on a rotation schedule between paddocks
- Monitoring of forage and soil conditions for maximum growth of both cattle and range conditions
- Assisted with horseback moves of cattle on national forest land

MARCH 2025 – JUNE 2025

Intern / East Foundation, Hebronville, TX

- Assist with cattle workings: palpation, branding, weaning, gathering, etc.
- Assist with maintenance and installation of water systems
- Completed grass clipping surveys to determine forage standing crop
- Assist with shop and ranch vehicle maintenance
- Help science team when needed wildlife and rangeland research projects

Education

DECEMBER 2024

Bachelor of Science- Agronomy and Range Management / Kansas State University

- Member, Collegiate Cattleman's Club
- Member, Kansas State University Duck's Unlimited