



## Applications Accepted By:

<b>Job Title:</b>	Husbandry Intern	<b>Job Category:</b>	Husbandry
<b>Department/Group:</b>	Husbandry	<b>Exemption Status:</b>	N/A
<b>Location:</b>	The Alaska Zoo	<b>Travel Required:</b>	None
<b>Level/Salary Range:</b>	Unpaid	<b>Position Type:</b>	Full Time
<b>Reports To:</b>	Curator and Deputy Curator	<b>Pay Type:</b>	Unpaid

### Job Description

#### JOB STATEMENT AND PURPOSE

The Alaska Zoo Internship Program exists to accomplish the goal of providing a well-rounded experience in a professional zoo setting while also meeting the zoo's needs during our busy summer season which sees many orphaned and injured wildlife through our doors through wildlife agency channels. Interns receive experience in our animal husbandry and education departments with some exposure to zoo administrative tasks. Interns work closely with zoo staff to gain knowledge, animal care experience, public speaking experience and an understanding of the inner workings of a zoo facility.

#### ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Learn alongside professional animal care staff about basic animal husbandry. Tasks may include but are not limited to feeding, cleaning, enrichment and training.
- Assists in the daily observation of animal behaviors.
- Facilitates formal and informal public presentations and tours to engage guests and provide a positive guest experience.
- Supports professional animal care staff during activities such as physical exams and animal transportation.
- Completes a special project as directed by Husbandry management.
- Prepares daily animal diets.
- Follow zoo guidelines and policies.
- Other duties as assigned.

#### QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a college student enrolled in a relevant degree program. Recent graduates will be considered.
- Applicants must have completed a minimum of four (4) semesters by the start of the internship.
- Student must be in good standing with a GPA 2.5, or higher.
- Housing is not included and must be secured by the individual.
- This is an unpaid internship.
- Any applicable university or college credit must be arranged by the student through their learning institution.
- Interns must be flexible with their schedule and have the ability to work evenings, weekends and holidays.
- Interns must pass a criminal background check upon acceptance to the program.

#### PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

- While performing the duties of this job, employee would be required to stand, walk, sit, reach with hands and arms, climb or balance, stoop or kneel, talk and hear, and use fingers and hands to feel objects, tools or controls.

- Ability to commit to a minimum of forty (40) hours per week for twelve (12) weeks.
- Must occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds.
- Ability to work in Alaska weather extremes.

**ADDITIONAL NOTES**

To apply, please send your resume and cover letter to:

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