

INTERNSHIPS

ANIMAL CARE:

Interns placed in the Zoo's Animal Department work side by side with animal keepers during their daily routine. This intensive on-the-job learning exposes the intern to the full range of exotic animal husbandry including, but not limited to:

- ☐ Cleaning
- ☐ Diet preparation and feeding
- ☐ Training and Enrichment
- ☐ Observing and noting normal and abnormal behaviors
- ☐ Procuring supplies
- ☐ Maintaining exhibits
- ☐ Interacting with the public

Applicants apply to the general internship program. Area placement is dependent upon experience and availability. All internships are unpaid.

REQUIREMENTS: Internships are designed for students currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in zoology, biology, or a related field. Interns must be available at least one full day per week, but the exact schedule will be determined by the keeper and the student based off needs and availability.

Interns must feel comfortable working in a variety of weather conditions and be capable of lifting at least 50lbs. You must present yourself in a professional manner.

Students requesting college credits for the internship must have their schools provide proof of liability insurance coverage.

If accepted into the internship program, interns must provide proof of a negative reaction to a tuberculosis (TB) test performed within six months prior to the start of the internship

HOW TO APPLY: Please send completed application, waiver, cover letter and resume to volunteer@buffalozoo.org by the following deadlines.

Spring Session: November 15th

Summer Session: March 15th

Fall Session: July 15th

Link to application and waiver here

You may also send a completed application to the following address:

Volunteer Manager
Buffalo Zoo

300 Parkside Ave.
Buffalo, NY 142148

Veterinary Hospital

Interns in the veterinary hospital function in a preceptorship capacity under the guidance of the Zoo's veterinarian and technical staff. Interns with the Zoo's Veterinary Hospital receive the opportunity to observe and potentially assist in a variety of regular as well as specialized veterinary procedures and techniques that may include:

- ❑ Processing radiographs
- ❑ Maintaining medical records and filing
- ❑ Surgery preparation and cleanup
- ❑ Observing surgery, necropsy, and animal treatments
- ❑ Parasitology, hematology, and cytology preparation and evaluation
- ❑ Surgical patient monitoring

The full extent of internship duties is based wholly or in part on previous experience. All internships are unpaid.

REQUIREMENTS: Internships are designed for those with a background in veterinary medicine or for students currently enrolled in veterinary science program or a related field. Interns must be available at least one full day per week, but the exact schedule will be determined by our veterinary staff and student based on needs and availability.

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