



EDUCATION PROGRAMS INTERNSHIP

Unpaid

DESCRIPTION:

The Jackson Zoo's Education Programs Internship is a 12-16 week (20 or 40 hours per week unpaid, un-benefited, with the potential for an extension) professional education intern position with the Jackson Zoo. Regular off-days to be determined, but must be willing to work weekends and holidays. Interns will provide program development support, teach educational programs, interact with public on grounds, assist with ambassador animal care and training, and assist with events, volunteers, and conservation. Interns will also have book/article readings/discussions, a long-term project, and will complete a presentation to zoo staff.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Teach various education programs, i.e. Zoo Mobiles, Wild Classrooms
- Assist with development of new programs
- Interact with guests using ambassador animal
- Assist with daily care to all ambassador animals
- Keep accurate records for all ambassador animals
- Provide enrichment for ambassador animals

While performing the duties of this position the intern is regularly required to stand; walk; climb or balance and grasp objects. In addition, the intern is regularly exposed to outside weather conditions; must be able to lift & move 50 pounds without mechanical assistance.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Completed at least one year of college working toward an animal related field, biology, zoology, or related field. Or a recent graduate.
- Must be comfortable presenting programs to groups of children (toddlers to high school) and adults in offsite community events, auditoriums, classrooms, and other education programs as needed
- Creative skills to transform educational material into entertaining, interactive programs
- Comfortable working with and handling many different species encompassing all classes of animals.

GUIDELINES:

- 12 or 16 week commitment
- Work 8:30am-4:30pm. Days off to be determined.
- Must provide a negative TB test result and tetanus vaccine record prior to beginning the internship
- Candidates must provide proof of current medical insurance, and maintain this insurance for the duration of the internship

FALL SEMESTER	First full week of September through November.	Application due July 31 st
SPRING SEMESTER	First full week of February through May	Application due Dec. 31 st
SUMMER	Mid-May through to mid-August.	Application due March 31 st

TO APPLY:

Please send resume and cover letter to: Elizabeth Stenger, Education Curator

Email: education@jacksonzoo.org with
"Education Programs Internship" in subject line

Mail: Jackson Zoo
Attn: Elizabeth Stenger
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Jackson, MS 39209

See Internship page on jacksonzoo.org/contact-us/internships for application details.