

BINDER PARK ZOO

ANIMAL CARE INTERN



REPORTS TO: Intern Coordinator

SEASONAL/NONSEASONAL: Seasonal, as scheduled, and unpaid

POSITION SUMMARY:

To assist the zoo in accomplishing its mission to connect, inspire and conserve while assisting the zoo staff in the daily care of animals and exhibits, record keeping, and interacting with zoo guests. The Animal Care Intern is an unpaid position that offers college credits of 1 credit per 10 hours of time per week.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

- College student (Junior or Senior) majoring in zoology, biology, animal husbandry, or other animal related program.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Performing outdoor tasks including the daily feeding and care of domestic and exotic animals and the cleaning and maintenance of animal exhibits.
- Maintaining accurate records.
- Communicating effectively using a hand held radio.
- Proof of negative TB test within one year and proof of tetanus shot within five years.

OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Complying with all Binder Park Zoo policies and procedures.
- Participating in team oriented zoo projects as needed.
- May be exposed to hazardous materials.
- Relating positively with diverse groups of people (guests, staff and volunteers).

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES: N/A

PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEMANDS:

- Ability to be available for shifts on a flexible schedule that may be long hours, weekends, evenings and holidays.
- Ability to read, speak and write English in order to fulfill job functions in an understandable way.
- Ability to lift and carry 50 pounds.
- Ability to complete tasks outdoors in all weather conditions and in a physically demanding environment.

APPROVAL:

Supervisor Signature

Date

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPTANCE:

I have received a copy of the Animal Care Intern position responsibilities. I have read the requirements as outlined and understand this is not an exhaustive list of duties, but an overview of the general duties and responsibilities of the position.		
_____ Signature	_____ Print Name	_____ Date

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