WonderLab General Animal Exhibits Internships 2018-2019

The exhibits department at WonderLab works diligently to provide and maintain the large variety of exhibits enjoyed by approximately 80,000 visitors per year. WonderLab’s live animal collection consists of reptiles, amphibians, arthropods ranging from honeybees to tarantulas, and a 300 gallon salt water aquarium. Animal Exhibits Interns receive hands-on experience in the many aspects of husbandry including habitat maintenance and repair, medicine distribution, medical and behavioral observation, food preparation as well as exhibit improvement and creation. Animal Exhibits Interns will also do educational outreach through the facilitation of hands-on interactions with museum guests doing live animal demonstrations.

2018-2019 Academic year Internship

- Begins immediately upon hiring - May 5
- 1 spot available
- 7-10 hours per week
- Application Deadline: Friday September 28, 2018

2019 Summer Internship

- May 13, 2019 - August 18, 2019
- 3 general animal exhibits position available
- 14-17 hours per week
- Application Deadline: April 1, 2019

2019-2020 Academic Year Internship

- August 19, 2019- May 8, 2020
- 6 general Animal exhibits positions available
- 7-10 hours per week
- Application Deadline: June 1, 2019

Objective: To give student hands-on experience in husbandry, education and the many aspects of WonderLab’s animal exhibits department including the creation, improvement, and maintenance of animal exhibits.

Type: Unpaid unless eligible for federal work-study or for class credit

*Coral reef intern has a stipend but that is a separate application pool with its own requirements. Please see Coral Reef Intern Job Description

Responsibilities:
- Daily Animal husbandry and maintenance of display habitats
- Monitoring habitats for ideal conditions
- Basic Medicine administration
- Live animal demonstrations, education and outreach
- Upkeep and organization of animal resources and care logs
- Completion of 1-2 animal specific projects (Class Credit Interns only)
Preferred skills and qualifications for this position:

- Interest in biology/animals
- Reliable with a strong work ethic
- Self-motivated
- Excellent communication skills, especially written
- Attention to detail and accuracy
- Experience working with vertebrates and invertebrates a plus
- Weekend availability
- Enjoys researching and creating educational materials

If you are interested in the Animal Care Internship position please do the following:

1. Send an introductory email, 2 - professional references (note these are not letters of recommendation) resume and cover letter indicating which internship session you are applying for to:
   Sam Couch - animalexhibits@wonderlab.org
   Animal Exhibits Manager
   WonderLab Museum of Health and Technology
2. Fill out an application available on the WonderLab website at http://wonderlab.org/about-wonderlab/college-student-internships/