

Safari's Sanctuary; Internship Program

Thanks for inquiring about Safari's Internship ! Here's some basic information.

Internship is an unpaid volunteer position to learn Animal Care.

Safari's is an exotic wildlife sanctuary that takes in animals that private individuals can no longer keep and small zoo's unwanted surplus. Currently housing around 200 animals, ranging from big cats, bears, wolves, primates, fox, raccoons, coati mundi, hoof stock , reptiles...etc.

Age minimum is 18. Must speak fluent English.

Goal is an advanced understanding of sanctuary daily duties, shadowing lead staff in all areas of animal care.

Beginning in hoof stock-week one, then basic primates (interaction with lemurs only) and small exotics week two, exotic birds, basic reptiles, basic wolves-week three, then safely advancing to big cats and bears- week 4-5 (there will be NO direct interaction with big cats and bears).

Learning preparation of diets, watering, cleanup. Basic daily park duties. There can be interaction with non-aggressive exotics, and backing up lead staff on others from outside cages. Learning locking out systems.

We also perform many outreach educational programs throughout our area. Interns will help in these programs.

Daily hours of basic duties are 8am till 2pm (unless doing produce pickups, of which we share/rotate in doing, leaving at 6am). After those hours are basic park cleanup, repair & maintenance, projects, outreach programs....etc.

Depending on rotation, some housing may be available.

Any interns must be approved and accepted by application in advance.

Intern must have their own cell phone, and transportation for their personal affairs.

Once housing is booked, all others must provide their own housing, communication & transportation.

Please submit via email - resume with your basic information, address, phone, email address, facebook, references, experiences, and what you wish to receive from this experience.

Must be able to comply with hours of operation. Ability to perform basic duties; feeding, changing, dumping, scrubbing waters, walking rocky terrain in some habitats, raking pens, shoveling feces, basic lifting of meat, grain bags, produce boxes, working in potentially bad, rainy weather, building and repairing habitats, some mowing, weed eating.... All volunteers and staff sharing park care and basic maintenance.

No drinking a/o non-prescribed drugs allowed on [property. No smoking. Must submit to background and drug testing. Non felons considered only.

Please attach list of any allergies that you might encounter at Safari's. i.e.: asthma, cat allergies, bird dander allergies, bee sting allergies, poison ivy/oak... we must be aware of any issues we might encounter during your internship.

Also attach list of any/all medications or medical issues.

Any questions please call or email...

Talk to you soon,

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If still interested, we would LOVE to meet with you and go over further information!