

Animal Care Summer Internship



Safari Adventures (Kalahari in Sandusky, OH) and **The Watering Hole at Monsoon Lagoon** (Port Clinton, OH) offer a 12-15 week Summer Internship program. This internship allows you the opportunity to work with a vast variety of species; such as aquatics, reptiles, aviary, and hoof-stock such as Giraffe, Antelope and Zebra. (Just to name a few!)

Responsibilities:

Interns will have the opportunity to gain practical work experience and knowledge caring for a variety of exotic animals. Under close supervision you will learn how to prepare diets, clean habitats, observe and document behaviors, implement enrichment, repair and build enclosures, give guided tours to visitors, assist with veterinary care, crate animals for transport, and assist in animal education presentations.

Requirements:

- 1. Must be able to lift at least 65 pounds.
- 2. Must be able to work in unfavorable weather conditions including rain, snow, extreme heat, and freezing temperatures.
- 3. Must have a positive attitude, a good work ethic, arrive to work on time, and work late if necessary.

- 4. Must have good communication and public speaking skills.
- 5. Must be able to follow instructions and required policies and procedures.
- 6. Must be honest, trustworthy and organized.
- 7. Must have valid driver's license and social security card, or if from outside the US, a Green Card and Visa, or Visa Waiver Program.
- 8. Two [2] letters of reference/recommendation.
- 9. Unofficial or official school transcript and/or a copy of your degree.
- 10. Up-to-date vaccinations including for Tetanus and be TB Negative.
- 11. Due to Kalahari and Monsoon Lagoon being tourist destinations, you will be required to work weekends and holidays.

Compensation:

This is an unpaid voluntary position, however a stipend will be provided (stipend TBD and paid upon **completion of internship**). Interns who forfeit the program will not receive any compensation. We also evaluate the Interns who complete their internship for future employment opportunities with Wild Acres Ranch/Safari Adventures/Monsoon Lagoon. This internship is not affiliated with a college or university for credit hours, however some colleges and universities have recognized Wild Acres Ranch/Safari Adventures/Monsoon Lagoon to fulfill internship requirements. It is the applicant's responsibility to determine if your college or university recognizes the Intern studies program at Wild Acres Ranch/Safari Adventures/Monsoon Lagoon.

How to apply:

Send application and all requirements to Erin Wilson at the address provided on the application. We are accepting applications now through March 31, 2019 and will start calling for interviews in April.