

Animal Behavior and Enrichment Intern

Internship Description:

Students interested in captive animal behavior and enrichment will gain valuable experience through this internship. Interns in this position will be working with all Aquarium animals (mammals, birds, reptiles and aquatic). Main responsibilities could include: observing, monitoring and recording animal behavior, assisting with development of species specific animal history profiles, implementation and documentation of enrichment in animal areas, research new ideas for animal enrichment, design and construct enrichment items, learn and follow all safety protocols and policies, organize enrichment items, assist with special events involving enrichment, and possibly participate in a special project. Applicants should be flexible, a self-starter, able to work independently and in a team setting, and an effective communicator.

Commitment Required:

• 25 hours per week for a minimum of 12 weeks

Education Requirements:

- Major(s): Any major in Natural Science or Psychology
- Classification: Sophomore, Junior, or Senior preferred

Wage:

• Unpaid; college credit may be available through your university

Application Instructions

- Apply at: <u>https://my.peoplematter.com/southcarolinaaquarium/Hire/Recruiting/Application/Index?businessUnitId=72</u> 0f7508-f311-4830-9ec8-a50f0132f611
 - **Fall**: Applications open on May 15 and are due by July 15. Selected applicants will be notified in August. Hired interns start in September.
 - **Spring**: Applications open on September 15 and are due by November 15. Selected applicants will be notified in December. Hired interns start in January.
 - **Summer**: Applications open on January 15 and are due by March 15. Selected applicants will be notified in April. Hired interns start in May.