

INTERNSHIP IN ZOOLOGICAL MEDICINE



The Wilder Institute-Calgary Zoo is a conservation leader whose mission is to take and inspire action to sustain wildlife and wild places. As a not-for-profit charitable institution, all revenue is reinvested back into conservation activities at the zoo and around the world.

The Wilder Institute–Calgary Zoo is committed to excellence in animal welfare and conservation leadership. Our staff and volunteers are what make us a success in these activities and keep us focused on our commitment to engage visitors in enjoyable and unique experiences, connect our community with nature, and inspire actions which support conservation.

The Wilder Institute-Calgary Zoo and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Calgary (UCVM), are seeking applicants for a one-year internship designed to provide broad exposure to zoo medicine. The Calgary Zoo houses approximately 1500 animals of 120 different species. Under the direction of the zoo's veterinary staff, the intern will participate in all aspects of zoological medicine including general medicine and surgery, anesthesia, emergency care, preventive health programs, pathology, daily interactions with staff, and endangered species breeding for release programs, such as those for Vancouver Island marmots, Whooping cranes, Greater sage grouse, and Northern leopard frogs. The intern will assist in the training of senior veterinary students at the zoo and University. During the internship, participation in veterinary projects, intern rounds and grand rounds at UCVM, and completion of at least one scientific paper for publication, will be required.

Candidates must possess a DVM (or equivalent) degree and be eligible for licensure in Alberta. Preference will be given to candidates that have at least one year of post-graduate clinical experience. Previous zoological or wildlife experience is desirable, and demonstrated interest in zoo and wildlife medicine is required. Candidates should have strong written and verbal communication skills, be able to work well in a team environment, and be flexible with working unusual hours, weekends, and holidays.

<u>Physical Demands:</u> This position requires some long periods of standing, on-grounds mobility with daily walking, some heavy lifting, and a fair amount of computer work.

The Calgary Zoo offers a competitive compensation and benefits package. The deadline for applications will be March 15th, 2024 with an anticipated start date of July 2nd, 2024. An interview will be conducted with top candidates.

Interested candidates will apply on-line at https://www.calgaryzoo.com/zoo-careers

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