Wildcat Creek Wildlife Center Internships

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We offer hands-on experience with over 100 different native and migratory wildlife species. Our internship positions offer an all species, intense, hands-on, total immersion, educational experience. No stipend is available, but we do offer housing for full time interns. Part time positions are also available. Interns must be able to work hard for long periods of time, do lots of cleaning, and work well with others as well as on your own. For full description please go to www.wildcatwildlifecenter.org.

Wildcat Creek Wildlife Center is the largest wildlife hospital and rehabilitation facility in Indiana. We also offer an extensive educational outreach program with eight raptor educational ambassadors and seven different species of mammal educational ambassadors. We rehabilitate all species of native Indiana wildlife as well as all migratory species on a beautiful, rural 80 acre site. We have planted 4000 trees, changed 23 tillable acres to native habitat borders and restored a two acre wetland. Be sure to take advantage of wildlife watching and the paddle boat at the wetlands in your time off!

We admit nearly 2000 wildlife patients annually. During the internship period over the summer we will admit nearly 100 new patients weekly. Most will be orphaned or injured and require hand feeding, surgical procedures and post-operative care.

Intern responsibilities include interacting with the public and volunteer staff at the center, telephone triage, record keeping, data entry, intake triage, animal handling and restraint techniques for exams, fluids and medications. Diet preparation for over 100 species, laundry, washing dishes, mopping floors, cage cleaning are a large part of each day. Much of your work will be physically demanding. Must be able to lift at least 50lbs., work with shovels, pitchforks, wheelbarrows and do a little mowing and trimming.

Intern must be self-motivated, show attention to detail, punctuality, initiative, and possess a strong desire to learn. You will be working in a fast paced, high stress environment. All applicants must be at least 18 years of age, have medical insurance and may be subject to a background check.

Part time (20-30 hours per week) and full time (40-60 hours per week) are available. Housing is provided for full time interns. A donation of $150 per intern is applied to help cover the utility costs and maintenance of cabins. Cabins are shared housing and are furnished with bunk beds, table and chairs, microwave, refrigerators, fans, towels, sheets, blankets, pillows and dishes. Bathrooms are in a separate building. Interns are responsible for keeping cabins and bathrooms neat and clean. Interns are also responsible for personal travel and food.

April through October is the intern time frame. Time commitment is a minimum of 8 weeks, although 10 weeks or longer will be given top priority.