



WILDLIFE AND CONSERVATION INTERN

Salary: Unpaid

Reports to: Exhibition Leader, Wildlife & Conservation

Position Overview

The Wildlife and Conservation Intern will aid in the development of unique guest programming on topics in zoology and environmental conservation. This may include, but is not limited to, programs to take place within Liberty Science Center's animal-based galleries: *Eat and Be Eaten* and *Our Hudson Home*. In *Eat and Be Eaten*, guests get a close up look at many different species of live animals from around the world and discover the adaptations that allow them to survive as well as the conservation issues hindering their wild populations. In *Our Hudson Home*, guests learn how the Hudson River is used as a means of travel, commerce and a source of food, while exploring the wildlife living in the river and how they are so intimately connected to us.

About You

You are an environmentally minded individual with a passion for science and helping to preserve wildlife and the environment.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist the Wildlife and Conservation Exhibition Leader in developing programs to take place on the floors of the science center, including: researching information for new programming, developing original programming ideas, training floor staff on new programming, and managing floor programs.
- Assist in the development of special event programming (i.e. Camp-Ins, Conservation Week).
- Evaluate and improve upon existing guest programming.
- Provide feedback on guest interaction and programming to the Wildlife and Conservation Exhibition Leader.
- Provide support to the Exhibition Leader team in department-wide projects (i.e. Halloween

Preferred Qualifications and Experience

- Have a warm, friendly, and personable demeanor
- Able to think creatively, with attention to detail
- Able to work in a fast-paced environment
- Have a dedicated work ethic, and the ability to work as a team member or independently
- Have great customer service and communication skills
- Be comfortable speaking to small and large groups
- Able to problem-solve and resolve issues.
- Be familiar with education (informal education, early childhood education, or conservation education preferred)
- A strong understanding of science concepts in the fields previously mentioned is preferred
- Must be pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Biology, Marine Biology, Environmental Science, Wildlife Science, Animal Science or Conservation Education

Work Culture at a Glimpse

Schedule

This is a part-time unpaid position. The ideal candidate must be available to work evenings and weekends as special events require. 15-20 hours required with a total of 200 hours at completion of internship.

Travel

This position may require occasional travel in the greater metro region.

Environment

Liberty Science Center is located in a beautiful waterfront state park in Jersey City, New Jersey. Not only is Jersey City easy to get to from any points in Northern NJ and Manhattan, but it also holds the title of the most diverse city in the United States. Employees have access to free parking, the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail, and the NJ Path train. In addition, all employees have access to an on-site café, a terrace with stunning NYC views, and on-site yoga.

Physical

While performing the duties of this job, the employee must be able to stand for long periods of time while working with staff on museum floor to prepare for events or fill in for staff on the floor. The ability to lift 30 pounds is required. The position requires frequent visits to the museum floor (walking on concrete floors, climbing stairs, etc) and outdoors (walking on uneven ground, exposed to the elements), tolerating high levels of noise, and extensive public speaking, sometimes in noisy environments.

Benefits

- 25% discount in LSC gift shop
- 25% discount in on-site cafeteria
- Six free exhibit & theater passes after 100 hours of volunteering
- \$75.00 travel reimbursement once a year
- Volunteer Recognition dinner
- KUDOS rewards program

To apply:

Please visit our website and apply online at: <https://lsc.org/volunteer> After you submit your application, please submit a resume and cover letter highlighting why you are a perfect fit for this position to intern@lsc.org.

Liberty Science Center is proud to provide an equal opportunity workplace. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, citizenship, marital status, disability, genetics, gender identity, or veteran status and will not be discriminated against on the basis of such characteristics or any other status protected by the laws or regulations in the location where we operate.

LSC actively supports Americans with Disabilities Act and will consider reasonable accommodations.