

Curricula Development Conservation Education

Apply now for an internship with the Houston Zoo Camp Zoofari program to hone your skills in informal conservation education curricula development. Interns will receive a \$1,000 stipend at the conclusion of the 8-week internship to offset living expenses during the experience. The stipends are sponsored by a generous endowment.

The Houston Zoo Camp Zoofari internship will focus on elements of curricula development:

- Selecting themes which support an organization's goals.
- Identifying age-appropriate messages for children ages 4-14.
- Developing engaging content to meet each audience.
- Creating activities to support the theme, age and organizational goals.
- Implementing feedback, testing and revisions to finalize a program.

Additional knowledge gained shall be:

- Management of a large informal science camp program
- Organization and delivery of various conservation education programs
- Evaluation of program outcomes
- Creating a personal action plan to help save wildlife
- Team dynamics and collaboration

Physical Effort and Environment

The position involves moderate physical activity. Interns will be walking, lifting (up to 40 lbs), and spending time outdoors, in all different weather conditions including heat, humidity, rain, cold, and/or dust. Interns can expect to have interactions with guests, campers, volunteers, and staff.

Supervision

This internship shall be supervised by the Manager of Education Programs, with support from the Camp Zoofari team.

Requirements

- Candidates must be considering a career in formal or informal education.
- Exhibit strong professionalism, communication and writing skills
- Must be a self-starter, able to work independently and meet deadlines
- Ability to multi-task and excel in a fast-paced environment
- Be flexible and have a positive "can-do" attitude even in a frustrating situation
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office products particularly Word, Outlook and Excel

Expectations during 8-Week Internship

- Must be available from June 8-July 31, 2020, Monday – Friday from 7:30a.m.-4:30p.m. with one option to observe an evening program.
- Abide by all Houston Zoo policies and procedures, including safety protocol.
- Exposure to outdoor weather such as heat, humidity, and rain will be required.
- Housing and transportation to and from the Houston Zoo will be the responsibility of the intern.
- Upon completion of the internship, submit a fully formed week-long curricula for School Break camp for ages 4-14.