

Session Descriptions* (All sessions are extremely hands-on and physically demanding. As is the nature with most animal care positions, there is a large amount of cleaning and upkeep that everyone is required to assist in.):

Spring: Spring interns gain hands-on experience with baby mammal patients, ducklings, and potentially baby birds near the end of the internship session. Spring interns also assist with animals in pre-release outdoor enclosures, ambassador feedings, and cage and facilities upkeep. This internship session typically starts at a slower pace before becoming more fast paced as the influx of baby mammal patients arrive.

Summer: Summer interns gain hands-on experience with baby bird patients and ducklings, with limited baby mammal feedings at the beginning and end of the internship session. Summer interns also have the opportunity to assist with turtle hatchlings. Summer interns assist with animals in pre-release outdoor enclosures, ambassador feedings, and cage and facilities upkeep. This internship session is fast paced throughout its entirety.

Fall: Fall interns gain hands-on experience feeding baby mammal patients and potentially baby bird patients, depending on current caseload. Fall interns also assist with animals in pre-release outdoor enclosures, ambassador feedings, and cage and facilities upkeep. Fall interns typically have the opportunity closer to the end of the internship to observe more exams and necropsies.

(New this year!) Fall Hybrid (Wildlife Rehabilitation/Environmental Education): Fall interns gain hands-on experience feeding baby mammal patients and potentially baby bird patients, depending on current caseload. Fall interns also assist with animals in pre-release outdoor enclosures, ambassador feedings, and cage and facilities upkeep. Once baby mammals season winds down, fall interns will assist our Education team with ambassador feeding and cleaning, and assisting with on and off-site programming.

*Session descriptions are based on previous years' caseloads and trends.

Intern shifts are typically scheduled as 7am-3pm or 1pm-9pm, and interns are scheduled with both morning and afternoon shifts. When caseload is lower (beginning of spring and end of fall), shifts are scheduled as 9-5.

Session Dates and Application Deadlines:

Spring: March 31, 2024-June 8, 2024 (Deadline: January 15th)

Summer: June 9, 2024-August 17, 2024 (Deadline: February 15th)

Fall: August 18, 2024- October 26, 2024 (Deadline: July 15th)