

Avian Care Internship

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Job Title	Avian Care Internship
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Closing Date	n/a
Job Description	<p>AVIAN CARE INTERNSHIPS DUTIES: •provide captive management & husbandry for numerous species of hawks, eagles, owls & other wildlife •assist staff with medical care of injured wild birds •clean & maintain all indoor & outdoor animal facilities and aviaries •perform daily husbandry tasks •provide emergency care, feed, carry out medical treatments, and monitor health status for all permanent residents used in educational programs & exhibits •assist finders of injured & orphaned birds and arrange transportation & rescue •admit injured and orphaned birds •maintain live rodent food colony •complete an approved internship project •gain extensive hands-on training in raptor captive management, education bird handling & training, and avian rehabilitation</p> <p>QUALIFICATIONS: •Enthusiastic •Ability to work both independently and in a team •Strong interest in birds and wildlife husbandry •Willingness to work long, hard, irregular hours in all weather conditions •18 years or older •Hold a valid driver's license •Physical capacity to catch and treat large birds, lift equipment weighing up to 40 pounds, climb stairs, walk preserve and carry equipment for routine maintenance •Ability to work quickly & efficiently while following directions & procedures •Have updated tetanus vaccination at time of beginning internship. •Available to work 40+ hours per week, for a minimum of 6 months •Have college degree, working towards a degree or have equivalent wildlife experience •Must have own transportation</p> <p>LENGTH OF INTERNSHIP: •6 months (minimum), 40+ hours per week</p> <p>TO APPLY: •cover letter (must include dates of availability, and career goals & interests relative to the internship) •résumé •list of 3 references •one letter from a reference (can be mailed separately) SEND TO: Sara Eisenhauer Wildlife Services Manager PO Box 1281 Quechee, VT 05059 or email: seisenhauer@vinsweb.org or FAX: 802-359-5001</p>