



## Wildlife Education - School Programs Internship (6 hours/week: 12 weeks, Temporary Position)

### The Organization:

Located in the heart of Walnut Creek, California, Lindsay Wildlife Experience houses a wildlife rehabilitation hospital, a collection of live native California animals and natural history exhibits. Lindsay Wildlife Experience's mission is to "connect people with wildlife to inspire responsibility and respect for the world we share".

### The Position:

This unpaid internship is an educational and public programming oriented position that involves public speaking and animal handling. It offers a unique opportunity to learn about native California wildlife with Lindsay's collection of non-releasable birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and invertebrates to convey conservation messaging through educational programming and public engagement. This position requires a self-motivated, flexible, and responsible individual capable of supporting the daily operations of the Education Department, specifically focused on the department's onsite school programs.

### Hours, Benefits, and Compensation:

This unpaid internship requires the intern to commit a minimum of 10 weeks (this may be extended based on interest and availability). This internship requires at least one shift commitment per week on Fridays from 9:00AM to 3:30PM. More weekly shifts may be arranged as requested. Interns are required to fulfill a minimum of 60 hours or 30 school programs to complete this internship.

This is an in-person unpaid internship. Applicants must have a reliable method of transportation. Housing is not provided.

### Tasks will include:

- Ensuring that the school program supplies are clean and prepared for school programs.
- Assisting and delivering field trip programs in a way that is engaging, informative, safe, and of the highest quality.
- Complete animal handling training to ensure that animals are being handled safely for educational programs.
- Occasionally attending off-site school and outreach programs.
- Providing exemplary customer service to program participants, museum staff, and volunteers.
- Assisting with program implementation, including supporting educators in teaching and leading program activities across disciplines and media.
- Assisting with preparing program supplies and spaces for programs.

- Conducting research that supports program development, culturally relevant teaching practices, and audience development.
- Developing an internship project by creating or enhancing educational materials at Lindsay Wildlife Experience.

#### Qualifications:

- Must be 18 or older to apply
- Must provide proof of COVID vaccination, or be granted an Exception or Deferral
- College students or recent graduates in education, museum studies, biology, zoology, or related fields are preferred, but not required
- Passing a background check
- Ability to work well with staff and volunteers, as well as interact with museum members and guests
- Ability to communicate clearly and effectively (verbally and in writing) with staff, volunteers and patrons
- Tolerance of strong odors, dust, hay, animal fur/hair/dander

#### Positions Available:

Limited intern positions are available for each session. Start and end dates are flexible. Each session will last at least 10 weeks. Selection is determined by application and interview.

#### How to apply:

- Submit a [Wildlife Education - School Programs Intern Application](#)
- Send the following to the Education Registrar, Sydney Boucher, at [registrar@lindsaywildlife.org](mailto:registrar@lindsaywildlife.org)
  - Résumé
  - 2 references & their contact information (included in [Wildlife Education - School Programs Intern Application](#))