Organization: Racine Zoo (AZA Member)
Location: Racine, Wisconsin, United States
Job or Internship: Job

Animal Care Specialist (Part-time)

The Racine Zoo is seeking to hire an experienced and energetic Zookeeper to join our fantastic team. The desired candidate has previous zookeeping experience with a variety of taxa and is able to adapt to various routines as scheduled. This is a part time position, working 24 hours per week. Hourly pay: $9.00/hr.

Must also have the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff at all levels and possess excellent communication, time management and organizational skills to function effectively in a team environment. Applicants must be willing to work weekdays, weekends, and holidays in a variety of adverse weather conditions, and interact with Zoo guests in a positive way. Must also be available to work any 8 hour shifts between 7AM and 10PM.

The Zookeeper is responsible for daily husbandry of animals as it relates to the animal’s physiological and psychological well-being, and for the general maintenance of exhibits. This position could also include diet preparation for the collection, inventory of diet supplies, and general kitchen maintenance.

Other Essential duties:

· Work well with staff, interns and volunteers of all ages

· Prepare diets according to the veterinarian’s recommendations

· Monitor the physical and behavioral condition of the animals assigned to your care.

· Clean exhibits, holding and service areas.

· Report health or safety concerns for animals, visitors, and staff to management

· Assist with medical procedures as needed, to include animal capture, restraint and handling

· Administer medications prescribed by the veterinarian in accordance with his/her instructions.

· Provide training and enrichment for the animals assigned to your care.

· Asist with maintenance chores, movement of animals, and loading and unloading of supplies, feeds, and other goods.

· Cheerfully interact to routine questions from the public regarding the zoo and the animals.

· Complete accurate and concise daily written records.

Minimum qualifications/requirements: Bachelor’s degree in biology, zoology, or science-related field; 1-2 year’s experience working with animals in an AZA accredited zoo required; strong interpersonal skills and the ability to accept direction and work as part of a team; ability to lift a minimum of 50 pounds. Must be able to obtain a valid driver’s license by the date of hire.

To apply, please submit your resume/cover letter, list of species worked with, and references by email to:
Angie Sagert
akutchery@racinezoo.org
Please put “Animal Care Specialist (Part-time)” as your subject line.
Applications due ASAP. Position open until filled.