

SEASONAL VETERINARY RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Looking for a career with a dynamic organization that is committed to protecting wildlife? We are interested in dedicated individuals who are positive, enthusiastic and passionate about wildlife conservation and protecting our planet.

Our Toronto Zoo is a mission-based, research, not-for-profit organization whose mission is connecting people, animals and conservation science to fight extinction.

Our Toronto Zoo serves more than 1.2 million guests each year on over 500 acres and the foundation of all of our work is based on four cares:

- We care about our animals
- We care about our team
- We care about our guests
- We care about our community

We strive to have this caring culture grounded in the principles of equity, diversity and inclusion. We commit to collaborating with our teams, guests and community to reflect and celebrate the rich diversity of Toronto and Canada.

As a world class accredited zoo and part of the global conservation community we work with the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and collaborate with governmental agencies, conservation and science non-governmental organizations and corporate and academic partners to share our knowledge and learn from each other to enhance our collective impact.

We are currently embarking on our new Master Plan and creation of a Community Conservation Campus. As one of the GTA's Top Employers, <u>we are seeking an experienced Veterinary Research</u> <u>Assistant to join our Conservation Science team.</u>

BRANCH: Conservation Science

ANTICIPATED DURATION: 16 weeks

SALARY RANGE: \$15.00 per hour

Basic Function: We are seeking candidates to fill the position of Veterinary Research Assistant during the summer of 2022. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work in the Toronto Zoo's Wildlife Health Centre where they will gain hands-on and clinical research experience with a variety of animal species, gain familiarity with pathology of zoo animals, as well as help support and implement the Toronto Zoo strategic plan.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist with:
 - Several veterinary research projects

- Gross necropsies
- Organization and inventory of pathology specimens
- Collation and reporting of pathology results
- Construction of exposure charts for various x-ray generators and receivers
- Preparation of a searchable database of existing exposure settings
- Organization of digital images taken on various modalities of diagnostic imaging equipment
- Entering medical records and laboratory test results into the Zoological Information Management System's (ZIMS) medical module
- Completing outstanding and important medical surveys
- Organization of a reference collection of scientific publications
- Supporting conservation and welfare programs
- Other duties as assigned by the veterinarians or Supervisor

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Enrolled in, or a graduate of a veterinary, veterinary technician, or veterinary assistant program of study
- Related work experience is an asset
- A basic knowledge of veterinary medicine is an asset
- Excellent English, written/report writing skills
- Excellent organizational and time management skills, able to work in a fast paced environment
- Excellent interpersonal and teamwork skills
- Proficiency with computers
- Full G class driver's license is an asset

<u>CANDIDATES MAY BE REQUIRED TO TAKE A WRITTEN AND/OR PRACTICAL EXAMINATION</u> <u>RELEVANT TO THE POSITION</u>.

If interested in this position, please click on the link below and complete the instructions on the questionnaire. You will be required to submit your resume and cover letter no later than June 26, 2022.

To apply click here: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/qxEkwfP4V2</u>

While we appreciate the interest of all applicants, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Toronto Zoo provides accommodation for employees with disabilities, as defined under the Ontario Human Rights Code. If contacted for an interview, and you require specific accommodation for the interview process because of a disability or a medical need, then please advise the person contacting you of your requirements, so that arrangements can be made for the appropriate accommodations to be in place before you begin the interview process.

The Toronto Zoo respects the principles of equity, diversity and inclusion and seeks to model these principles in all that we do. We are committed to fostering an inclusive workforce where all employees feel respected, supported and valued. We strive to create an environment that represents

the rich diversity of our guests and our community and encourage applications from all qualified individuals who can contribute to enhancing our commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. Applications are especially encouraged from racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous/Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and women.

Please be advised the Toronto Zoo requires mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations for employees.