



Position: Zoological Intern: Horticulture Team

Reports To: Lead Horticulturist

Position Summary:

The Zoological Horticulture Intern is responsible for observing and assisting the Horticulturist in the daily care of the plant species at the LLPA. Daily responsibilities will include but are not limited to: observing and learning from the horticulture staff, completing daily/weekly tasks, the set-up, and maintenance and care of indoor and outdoor plant beds.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assist in maintaining the highest level of cleanliness and quality of all plant displays and back of house areas.
- Assist with daily care of plants; including watering, trimming, and planting
- Assist in research, horticulture plan development, and care protocol development.
- Assist in monitoring the various plants for overall health.
- Adhere to safety protocols.
- Complete all quizzes and evaluations after retaining information/knowledge from hands on and classroom lessons.
- Completion of all assigned projects prior to end of internship.
- Completion of all other duties as assigned.

Education:

- Must have completed a minimum of sophomore year at an accredited college or university.
- Working toward obtaining a degree in a related field (Botany, Horticulture, or Plant Science).

Critical Skills/Competencies:

- Must be able to follow basic instruction.
- Must demonstrate attention to detail.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- With training, have a basic knowledge and understanding of what is needed to become a member of a horticulture team.
- With training, be able to identify most plant species at LLPA and become familiar with the biological systems of most species at LLPA.

Scope of position:

The Zoological Horticulture Intern must commit to 20 hours per week. The duration of the internship will be for a total of 10 weeks. This is an unpaid position.

Physical Demands of the Job:

- This opportunity requires long periods of standing, crouching, kneeling, lifting, and walking.
- Must be able to work on ladders and elevated platforms
- Must be able to work in humid, high heat, and wet conditions, often on floors that are slippery
- Must be able to lift 50 lbs.

Special Working Conditions:

While this internship description attempts to describe the essential functions of the position, it does not prescribe or restrict the tasks that may be assigned. It does not restrict management's right to assign or reassign duties or responsibilities to this internship at any time.

Support Provided:

It is the responsibility of the Volunteer Service Department to:

- Maintain records for all active interns.
- Issue each intern an identification badge and uniform shirt(s).
- Provide ongoing support and assistance with intern/staff relationships.
- Administer and provide information regarding opportunity and benefits available for active interns.
- Provide a written reference pertaining to the intern's experience (hours contributed, length of commitment, job description) as requested.

Please submit an application at <http://www.thelivingplanet.com/internships/> .

Please submit your resume and cover letter to volunteer@thelivingplanet.com .

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