



Zoo Educator

The Fresno Chaffee Zoo inspires wonder of our natural world, provides an engaging learning environment, and instills a passion for conservation. Serving the central San Joaquin Valley, the Zoo is committed to sustaining professional active participation in wildlife conservation, research and education. A proud recipient of the AZA Top Honor Exhibit Award, the Zoo is committed to providing our local communities and the AZA community exhibits and programs both can be proud of.

November 4th, 2014 marked an important day for Fresno County as its residents voted to continue to financially support the Zoo through the approval of Measure Z. This measure provides Fresno Chaffee Zoo with financial security that empowers it to continue to offer incredible experiences for guests while providing excellent animal care, and a challenging yet fulfilling working environment.

Our newest exhibit, African Adventure, has resulted in over 1,000,000 visitors since opening in October of 2015. This spectacular mixed species exhibit allows our guests to experience the savannahs of Africa including a panoramic view of multiple savannahs and a beautiful African Lodge.

Fresno Chaffee Zoo is searching for knowledgeable, outgoing and guest-oriented Zoo Educators. This position is full-time, regular, and benefited. The Zoo Educator must be able to work weekends, evenings, and holidays. Our employees' positive interactions with guests create the unforgettable guest experiences that keep patrons coming back.

Summary:

Under the general direction of the Education Curator, this position is responsible to design, facilitate, and assess on-site educational programs for a variety of audiences including school-aged students, young children, and adult professional development. Programs are intended to foster appreciation for and understanding of animals, nature and conservation.

Responsibilities:

Zoo Educators implements and assist in creating curriculum for many levels in the Education Department. The Zoo Educator has the authority to carry out the job requirements and responsibilities and is accountable to the Education Curator. Zoo Educators develop, implement, grade and supervise professional development program for teachers and educators, to generate income. Instruct wildlife education classes to students, docents, and public. Works with animals, presenting animal based programs in a classroom setting. Among other projects the Zoo Educator works with staff to develop and implement new curricula.

Requirements:

Experience in informal wildlife education preferred. Strong knowledge of computers and software applications preferred. Ability to work directly with animals to present animal based programs in a classroom setting. Ability to handle many tasks and provide outstanding guest service in all communications. Excellent written and verbal communication skills. Flexible schedule required. Hours may include weekends and holidays. Ability to lift a minimum of 20 and team lift up to 50 lbs. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand; walk and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. Vision capabilities required include close, distance and peripheral vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus. Interaction with guests requires talking and hearing. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally exposed to wet or humid conditions (non-weather) and outdoor weather conditions. The noise level in the work environment varies. Occasional loud noises from visitors, animals or equipment are experienced.

If you have the desire and skills needed to help create an excellent customer experience at Fresno Chaffee Zoo, apply by **July 16, 2017** as directed below.

Please submit resume to careers@fresnochaffeezoo.org or mail to:
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