



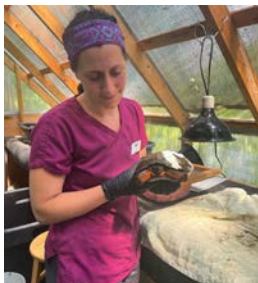
Avian Haven Seasonal Internship Program

Freedom, ME



Avian Haven is a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of Maine's bird and reptile species. We have the largest avian case load of any rehabilitation facility in northern New England, taking in over 3,000 birds per year from more than 100 species. At any given time during peak season, we have about 150-200 birds on site. Birds come to us for a variety of reasons, such as being hit by a car, being shot, flying into a window, disease, or simply falling from the nest. Whatever the reason, each patient is treated to the best of our ability, with hopes of releasing it back into the wild.

Seasonal Interns will gain hands-on experience in animal husbandry, diet preparation, clinical care, restraint and handling, avian identification, and record keeping. During your internship, you will have the opportunity to work alongside our experienced staff and receive training that will help you in your future choice of career. Once trained, we will expect interns to be able to work both independently and with other interns and volunteers to safely and efficiently complete daily tasks.



Internships run from mid/late May through late August-early September. This is our busiest season, and we do expect a commitment from our interns once they accept the position. For our full time interns, this internship is a 40-50 hour/week commitment. We also have a limited availability for part-time interns, who would commit to 20+ hours/week in blocks of 5 hours or more.

Requirements

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- College enrollment or degree is preferred, but not required.
- Personal transportation and a valid driver's license. (Our facility is in a remote and rural part of Maine. Access to a working vehicle is essential.)
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment.
- Positive attitude and strong work ethic.
- An interest in birds and reptiles!



Work Environment

- Must be able to work indoors and outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Must be available to work weekends, holidays and evenings.
- Must be able to do work such as lifting, bending, stooping, and carrying heavy objects.
- Must be comfortable learning how to prepare food for carnivorous animals.



Compensation

- Successful full-time applicants may be eligible for a stipend of up to \$1,500.
- On-site housing is available for two full-time interns. Living facilities are small but comfortable, and include kitchen, bath, private bedroom, living area, washer/dryer, and wifi. Pets cannot be accommodated in intern housing.
- Part-time internships are available for those who live in the area and can commute.

How to Apply



Please send your résumé, a cover letter stating your career goals and how this internship will help you achieve those goals, and three references to lyoung@avianhaven.org. Incomplete applications will not be considered. An interview will be scheduled once your complete application is received.

Deadline for consideration is March 15th, 2023.