

# Wildlife Care Internship

at the Chintimini Wildlife Center

## The Chintimini Wildlife Center

The Chintimini Wildlife Center provides care for injured and orphaned wildlife with the goal of returning them to their natural habitat, and fosters a connection between people and wildlife through education. Chintimini is home to a wildlife rehabilitation clinic, a raptor conservation program and an education program – all located right outside Corvallis, Oregon.

## Wildlife Care Intern Position Description

Interns work with the Wildlife Rehabilitation Team to provide care to rehabilitation patients in our clinic. Interns will:

- prepare species appropriate diets for our patients,
- administer & adhere to the patient feeding schedules,
- assist staff in treatments and other procedures,
- assist in daily cleaning of enclosures and other spaces the animals spend time in,
- work to ensure the safety of all animals and humans on the property, and
- other duties as assigned.

Internships last 11 weeks and follow the Oregon State University academic calendar (January 7 – March 22). Interns will report to work at Chintimini Wildlife Center for one or more of our scheduled 5-hour shifts per week and perform animal care activities onsite.

Due to the training and competency required, our preference is for interns who can commit to 2 or more shifts per week. We have 2 scheduled shifts per day, 7 days per week. Our morning shift runs from 9 am – 2 pm, and our afternoon shift runs from 1 pm – 6 pm.

## Qualifications

The ideal candidate will:

- Have interest in/experience with: wildlife, rehabilitation, animal care, animal husbandry.
- Be flexible, energetic and enthusiastic about wildlife.
- Be able to follow directions carefully

Applicants with experience working with animals and/or wildlife a plus.

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**ABOUT THE CHINTIMINI WILDLIFE CENTER:** Since 1989, the Chintimini Wildlife Center has worked to protect and celebrate Oregon's wildlife. Our efforts have served over 25,000 animals to date, and improved the lives of countless others through community outreach and education. To learn more and get involved, please visit us on the web at <http://chintiminiwildlife.org>

## Working Conditions

Intern duties will be performed on Chintimini's 9.4-acre property which includes grassland, wetland (including a large pond), riparian and deciduous bottomland forest habitats. Must be able to stand for long periods of time, and frequently lift 10 pounds. Interns will be working with/near live animals, so should be prepared for a job that is as messy as it is rewarding!

## Compensation

This is a volunteer position, and participation in our internship program does not guarantee paid employment with us in the future.

## College Credits

If approved by your college advisor, you may be able to earn credit hours in exchange for your time. One credit represents approximately 3 hours per week for an academic term. If this is something you are interested in, please indicate so in your application and begin discussing with your advisor **prior to your interview**. Interns are responsible for any and all paperwork involved, so be proactive in understanding and completing all requirements for earning credit.

## How to apply

To apply, please fill out our online application form at [www.chintiminiwildlife.org/internships](http://www.chintiminiwildlife.org/internships). Please note that you will need to provide information for two references when completing the form. **While we may promote our internships through various channels like online job boards and social media, we do not accept applications through these platforms. Applications sent through any process other than as described on our website will be ignored.**

If you have any questions about this position or the application process, contact our staff via the info below.

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