

**Lincoln Park Zoo's
Malott Family Zoo Intern Program
Summer 2009
Information and Application**

How do I apply?

Complete the applications and get two letters of recommendation from teachers or school administrators. You must also obtain a copy of your transcript from your school. Applicants must be 15 by June 16, 2009. City of Chicago residency is required. Please bring proof of legal status to work in the United States to your interview. Mailed applications, transcripts and recommendation letters must be postmarked no later than April 24, 2009 to be considered. Incomplete applications cannot be considered.

Will there be an interview?

Upon receiving all completed application materials, zoo staff will decide whether to arrange an appointment for a Zoo Intern Program interview. During your interview, a zoo staff person will ask questions about you and your interests. This is also a time when you can ask questions. You will be notified within 30 days of your interview if you have been accepted into the program.

What type of training is required?

During training, you will...

- Meet other interns and zoo staff
- Find out how a zoo functions as a wildlife conservation center
- Become an ecology wizard and impress your friends, family and teachers
- Take part in hands-on activities
- Learn about animals and biodiversity as well as people and cultural diversity
- Become skilled at interpreting exhibits for zoo visitors

When will the internship begin?

Training dates are June 16–19 and 23–26. The work phase begins June 30 and concludes August 8. The workweek is Tuesday–Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. You will learn while you earn during this phase, with field trips, special activities, opportunities to meet with zoo staff members and more.

Is there a stipend available for the internship?

Training is required and unpaid; however, you will be provided a CTA transit card to subsidize your travel expenses during training. You will be paid \$8.00 per hour during the work phase. Paychecks are issued biweekly. Parking is available free of charge to zoo employees.

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Application Checklist

- All items of the Zoo Intern Program application have been completed and submitted to the zoo.
- Complete responses to essays have been completed and submitted to the zoo.
- Recommendation letters have been completed and sent to Lincoln Park Zoo.
- One copy of my high school transcript is attached.

Send all application materials to:

Julie Audia
Education Programs Coordinator
Lincoln Park Zoo
2150 North Cannon Drive
Chicago, IL 60614

Please direct all questions to Julie Audia at 312-742-6690.

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