

OREGON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Position Title: Life Science Education Intern – Department: Museum Education
Wild Minds Exhibition
Reports To: Life Science Senior Educator

SUMMARY OF POSITION:

The Life Science Education Intern will facilitate visitors' learning experiences with *Wild Minds: What Animals Really Think*, an exhibition highlighting animal cognition. This exhibit opens in OMSI's Life Science Hall on February 11, and runs through August 19, 2012.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Interact with visitors to help them explore and learn about animal cognition.
- Participate in the presentation of hands-on science demonstrations.
- Assist with training and supervision of adult and youth volunteers for the *Wild Minds* exhibition.
- Assist with the development of demonstrations and curriculum materials for the exhibit.
- Maintain integrity and appearance of the Life Science Hall and Lab exhibits. This includes caring for small animals, lab cleaning, and assistance with opening and closing procedures.
- Comfortable working with and handling live animals.
- Maintain a safe and secure environment for visitors.
- Must be dependable and punctual, and be willing to commit to a schedule.
- Must present a professional personal appearance.
- Other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the Life Science Senior Educator.

KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS:

- Strong communication and customer service skills.
- Ability to present science process and content in an engaging way to a broad age range.
- Ability to take initiative.
- Basic knowledge and interest in Life Science – Biology, Anatomy, Zoology, etc.

EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE:

- Working toward or having a BA/BS in science or education with college course work in science.
- Experience working with the public in formal or informal educational settings highly desirable.

COMMITMENT:

8-16 hours per week, 3-6 months

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