Animal Care & Handling Volunteer

Nature Center & Aquarium, Bristol RI Audubon Society of Rhode Island Summer 2018

This Audubon volunteer position involves learning to care for and handle our animal ambassadors, including turtles, snakes, frogs, invertebrates and birds.

Employment Status:

- Volunteer position
- Internship available
- Work study students welcome
- Service learning or course work requirements welcome

Supervisor: Education Specialist

Responsibilities:

- Follow all Audubon safety guidelines and quality standards in the husbandry and handling of animals.
- Assist with the care and feeding of animals, including prepping food, cleaning tanks, cages and equipment, and conducting enrichment activities.
- Learn to handle reptiles, invertebrates and birds under the guidance of Audubon staff.
- Practice public presentation skills using live animals.

Time Commitment:

- 1 − 3 days/week;
- 3 − 5 hours/day
- Summer 2018

Requirements:

- Must be 18 years old or older.
- Experience with animals preferred.
- Responsible, patient and detail oriented.
- Willingness to take direction, accept feedback, ask questions and practice skills.
- Willingness to get wet and dirty on occasion doing tank and cage cleaning.
- Have reliable transportation to and from Bristol location.