

Veterinary Technician

The Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens is currently seeking a full-time veterinary technician to join our animal health team. Applicants must be a graduate of an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology program (certified or eligible for certification) with **a minimum of one year practice experience required in a zoological setting. Consideration will also be given to those candidates that have completed a veterinary technology internship at a zoo or equivalent training program.** Candidates should be proficient in the following areas: laboratory and diagnostic testing (proficiency with avian and reptile hematology is desirable), the principles of radiology, restraint and sample collection techniques. The candidate should possess a practical understanding of animal behavior, anesthesia, pharmacology and surgery. Duties will also include assisting with inventory and equipment maintenance as well as performance of some animal care. The job is physically demanding and the candidate must be able to lift 25 pounds, be able to remain on feet for extended periods of time, be able to stoop, bend, lift, kneel and climb and be able to carry objects for short distances.

The ideal candidate will have experience working in a zoological setting and be a team player, have good interpersonal, communication and decision making skills. A working knowledge of Microsoft Office and experience with ZIMS is desirable. Must be available to work a flexible schedule including weekends and holidays.

In addition to the salary, full time employees receive a complete benefits package including affordable medical, dental, and life insurance, paid time off, a 403(b) Retirement Plan, Zoo Membership and uniforms.

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