



Friends of Quarry Hill Nature Center Summer Naturalist & Animal Care

The summer naturalist/animal care position is an ideal opportunity for someone with environmental education experience who is looking to further develop their overall knowledge and experiences in the day to day operations of a non-profit nature center. The position offers opportunities to be directly involved in program delivery, animal husbandry, interacting with public visitors and overall operational support.

This position runs from late May through the end of August; potential for extended employment on either side of those months.

The normal work week is 40 hours, Monday – Friday; 8:15am - 4:45pm

Occasional weekend hours (not to exceed 6 weekend days over the course of 3 months)

Pay is dependent on qualifications and experiences. Minimum starting hourly is \$16.25/hour

Responsibilities

- Teach and develop environmental education programs as assigned by the program coordinator
- Clean, feed and care for the nature center's live animals under the direction of lead animal care staff
- Assist with the overall operations of the nature center and the summer nature camp program
- Substitute teach in the summer camp program as needed
- Assist with the rock climbing program; including setting ropes and acting as belay
- Know and understand all emergency procedures associated with the camp program
- Know, enforce and follow all safety guidelines as outlined by Quarry Hill Nature Center

Qualifications:

- College level coursework such as an internship or practicum in an educational setting, and/or direct working experience with youth related programming such as camps, sports or other recreation-based youth activities.
- Experience and comfort with handling and caring for captive animals such as snakes, turtles, raptors, invertebrates, rodents and amphibians
- Ability to lead and implement Quarry Hill program curriculum and activities
- Current First Aid certification or the ability to obtain certification upon hire
- Ability to maintain an upbeat & positive attitude all summer with co-workers and program participants
- Ability to work as a member of a team and the ability to accomplish tasks with little direct supervision
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Preferably college course work in the natural sciences

The Friends of Quarry Hill Nature Center require employees to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 as a condition of employment, subject to accommodation.

Application Instructions

Complete the online application here: <https://forms.gle/Nj7nTuQoGWeWcgC98>

Application Deadline: Open until all positions are filled. Interviews begin in February.

Questions about the position can be directed to here:

Contact: quarryhill@QHNC.org