

Diversity & Inclusion Matter: Monterey Bay Aquarium Veterinary Externship

Position Description:

This externship is designed to provide Veterinary students -especially students of color- in their clinical year(s) with experience working with the Monterey Bay Aquarium's diverse group of animals, which includes sea otters, fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians and aquatic invertebrates. Additionally, the program seeks to increase the diversity of veterinarians involved in conservation & aquatic animal medicine.

Students will assist veterinary and animal care staff with clinical cases, daily rounds, diagnostic and surgical procedures, participate in necropsies, clinical pathology, as required. They will also observe & assist husbandry staff, applied water science technicians, and the sea otter rehabilitation team to facilitate a better understanding of these aspects of animal care at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The student is required to prepare and present a case report, literature review, or other topic pertinent to the Aquarium and its conservation programs at the end of the externship.

The work environment includes, but is not limited to, behind the scenes areas and animal habitats as well as office time. It may include work in wet, slippery areas, hot and humid areas, variable temperature and weather conditions. Locations may also vary between Monterey Bay Aquarium, various off site facilities, and field sites around Monterey Bay.

Eligibility:

Successful Applicants should be:

- Currently enrolled in a veterinary program and in their clinical year(s) of veterinary studies at the time of their stay at the Monterey Bay Aquarium
 - In good academic standing
 - In good physical shape (able to lift 25kg with ease) and be comfortable working both indoors and outdoors in all weather conditions
- Priority will be given to applicants from under represented cultures.

Externship Dates:

Veterinary Externships are offered from **March 1 to October 15** of each year. Students should plan to spend two to four weeks at the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

Priority for choosing time slots is according to rank during the selection process.

Application Period:

- **Veterinary Externship applications are due by October 1, of the year prior to the planned externship.** (For example, applications for 2022 externships are due by October 1, 2021.)
- Students will be notified of their acceptance into the program by **October 31st**, one year prior to the planned externship.

Our mission is to inspire conservation of the ocean.

How to Apply:

1. Apply through this website:

<https://recruiting2.ultipro.com/MON1023MBAF/JobBoard/84cdbbe5-6ebd-4432-86f2-05e6fcf67a82/OpportunityDetail?opportunityId=ec8ee123-dca5-4491-89c8-aa47ab30cf60>

2. Select "Apply now"

3. **Upload** your application documents

- Resume/CV
- Letter of Interest

Your letter of interest should include:

- What experience you have
- What you hope to gain from the placement
- How you heard about the placement
- Your career goals
- How your selection will help achieve enhanced diversity in the profession

4. Submit via **EMAIL:** 2 Letters of Reference

NOTE: Please have your referees send their letters of reference **directly** to:

VetSvcs@mbayaq.org

-- Incomplete applications will not be considered --

Note: Dr. Murray may not always be on site in which case you will be completing your placement alongside the Veterinary Services and Animal Care teams.

Questions ? Inquiries ? Problems ?

Email: VetSvcs@mbayaq.org

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