



SUMMER INTERNSHIPS IN WILDLIFE REHABILITATION

Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research, Inc. is offering summer internships in wildlife rehabilitation during the 2023 nesting bird season. A limited number of full-season (12 week) internships with stipends are available. Full season, six-week and part-time internships without stipends are also offered.

Interns work in the Wild Bird Clinic and along with the permanent staff care for the hatching year and adult birds admitted during the summer. Full season interns are expected to contribute 40+ hours / week for a minimum of 12 weeks. Internships are scheduled between mid-May and August 31; actual start and stop dates are approximate and flexibility with early or late start dates may be possible (especially for University's ending in late May).

A summer internship at Tri-State is an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on animal care experience at a qualified and well-established wildlife rehabilitation facility. Knowledge and experience will be gained in the husbandry and rehabilitation of a wide variety of species of wild birds from the mid-Atlantic region. Interns participate with the staff and volunteers in the daily activities of the rehabilitation center, and responsibilities will include:

- Feeding and care of orphaned baby birds of all ages.
- Feeding and care of injured or diseased adult birds.
- Daily care and cleanliness of the pre-release birds housed in 40 outdoor enclosures.
- Monitoring the overall condition of birds under your care, providing feedback to the clinic supervisors.
- Keeping accurate records according to Tri-State's protocols.

REQUIREMENTS:

- High School Diploma or equivalent. Students are encouraged to have school or faculty sponsors.
- Demonstrated involvement or current study in animal or wildlife related field.
- Must be reliable, in good physical condition, available to work weekends and evening shifts.
- Must possess ability to make accurate observations and follow detailed instructions.
- Must possess leadership and supervisory abilities and enjoy working with a variety of people.
- Must be able to learn quickly and be self-directed.
- Be able to work under pressure and keep a sense of humor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please submit a letter of application describing your experience and reason for seeking an internship at Tri-State, along with a current resume with references on or before March 24th. Applicants will be contacted for interviews. Intern positions will be filled by mid-April and applicants will be notified of their acceptance at that time.

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Tri-State is a federally licensed, nonprofit organization with over 30 years of experience in oil spill response and wild bird rehabilitation. The Wild Bird Clinic is open 365 days a year and treats 3,000 native injured and orphaned wild birds annually. Tri-State's Oil Spill Response Team conducts oil spill response training workshops, develops wildlife contingency plans, and is on call 24 hours a day to provide care for contaminated wildlife.