**Tour Guide Internship**

**Description:**

Colorado Wolf and Wildlife Center, an Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) Certified non-profit animal sanctuary in Divide, CO is seeking reliable, animal loving applicants for the position of Wildlife Tour Guide Intern.

Wildlife Tour Guides represent Colorado Wolf and Wildlife Center and ensure that a friendly and informative experience is provided for all visitors. While in uniform they are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner at all times.

**Expectations:**

Learn to lead a one hour, guided educational tour for the public.

Participate in daily chores/tasks/projects to maintain the facilities including cleaning, landscaping and maintenance. This is mostly physical labor, outside, in the elements.

Learn the basics of daily animal care for both the domestic and wild animals living at CWWC.

Gain photography skills to provide guests with photo memories of their experience at CWWC.

After 3 months of training and successful completion of “Boot Camp”, you will be eligible to commit to an additional 3 months.

You will be required to keep up with current events/information. This information will be provided to you.

You will be expected to always be neat and present yourself professionally.

**Skills needed:**

Maintaining a safe and secure environment.

Being flexible, proactive and able to multitask.

Having good presentation skills and can articulate well.

Must be neat in appearance.

Being enthusiastic and friendly.

Must be able to be at work on time.

Being able to interact with people from different backgrounds.

**Requirements:**

An Intern is required to volunteer at least 2 days per week and no less than 90 days. A full day is considered 9.5 hours during winter season, and 12 hours during summer season.

A $300 non-refundable training fee will be due by your first day at CWWC.

A $150 refundable deposit for a two-way radio rental will also be due on your first day. Your radio deposit will be returned as long as your radio is returned in the same condition in which it was issued in.

Must be 18 years or older.

Physically capable of navigating 60 acres of land on rough terrain, in all four seasons.

Must have current medical insurance.

Must have reliable transportation.

Must have housing off site.

You will also be expect to always be neat and present yourself professionally.

Expectations at CWWC are high and can be demanding. Please consider all rules, expectations, and type of work before you apply.

**Perks:**

Once approved by a senior staff member to “graduate” as a tour guide, you will be eligible to interact with approved animals.

You will be trained in photography.

You may be trained to use CWWC’s ATV depending on your comfort level.

Gain experience in public relations.

You will be able to attend veterinary classes at no cost to you.

You will be able to attend off-site educational programs and campaigns.

You will be eligible to attend continuing education classes at no cost to you.

Once approved as a tour guide, you become a teacher, educating our visitors. This skill will help you in the future for other leadership positions.

You will be able to teach your own educational programs on wildlife or a related field in conservation (e.g. Youth programs).

You will receive a new “Wolf Warrior” vest.

CWWC is an AZA certified facility. As such, interns can earn college credit in a related field of study.

**Please submit the following documents to** **erika@wolfeducation.org**

Completed application from website

3 minute video explaining the following: what you can bring to CWWC, what you hope to gain from your internship, and what makes you a unique asset to CWWC.