

Position: Deadline: Commitment: Schedule: Rate: PAWS Education Intern Rolling basis 15-20 hours/week for 2-4 months Flexible, with some Saturday availability required Unpaid

The PAWS Education team inspires and empowers the community to take compassionate action for animals.

Purpose of the Position:

The PAWS Education Intern assists and supports the PAWS Education Team in the development, teaching, and evaluation of inquiry-based learning experiences for youth of all ages. Interns gain valuable, practical experience in humane and environmental education, curriculum development, and non-profit administration.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Teach youth programs relating to topics of animal welfare and environmental conservation to local Scout troops, including Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts.
- Represent PAWS and engage the public as part of a tabling team of staff and volunteers at community engagement events.
- Engage program participants in hands-on activities, including tours of the PAWS facility.
- Develop new activities and update existing curricula to ensure that programs meet badge requirements while furthering PAWS mission.
- Inspire enthusiasm for animals and actions that help companion animals and wildlife.
- Assist Education staff with other important tasks to prepare for future programs.
- Complete a project that fulfills a recognized need in the PAWS Education Department or otherwise furthers the goals of the department. Examples include developing an assessment method or creating and implementing new educational activities.
- Special projects and other tasks as needed.

Qualifications:

- Strong interest in environmental or humane education and working with diverse youth of all ages
- Knowledge or experience in animal welfare and/or environmental conservation
- Highly motivated and detail-oriented self-starter
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Work well independently and as a part of a team
- Ability to lift and carry up to 30 pounds
- Proficient with Microsoft Office

• Must have strong customer service skills and the ability to professionally represent PAWS

Internship Terms:

- Internship is 15-20 hours per week for 2-4 months. Start and end dates are flexible and will be discussed upon acceptance.
- Specific schedule is flexible, with some Saturday work requested.
- Interns are unpaid, but PAWS will support applications for college credit, as applicable.
- Housing and transportation assistance is not provided.

Learning Opportunities:

• The PAWS Education Intern will have the opportunity to participate in several continuing education courses, including a Wildlife Ethics workshop and shadowing opportunities at the PAWS Companion Animal Shelter and Wildlife Hospital.

Application Instructions:

To apply for the PAWS Education Intern position, please send a cover letter and resume to <u>kamrhein@paws.org</u>.

Questions?

Contact Katie Amrhein, Education Programs Manager, at <u>kamrhein@paws.org</u> or 425.412.4026.