

<b>Position</b>	Life Support Technician
<b>Facility</b>	Fresno Chaffee Zoo
<b>Location</b>	Fresno, CA
<b>Job Summary</b>	This position is responsible for daily operation and maintenance of life support components and systems and for aquatic animal collections. This position will regularly interact with Zoo guests to answer questions, provide animal information, and ensure an excellent guest experience.
<b>Essential Functions</b>	Essential Functions: -Collects data and completes water chemistry analysis for all marine support systems in accordance with established timelines and procedures. Provides data interpretation of all water chemistry. -Conducts daily rounds of all filtration areas to inspect pumps, motors, generators, chillers, air handlers and other filtration equipment. -Performs regular preventive maintenance, calibration, troubleshooting and repair to analytical instrumentation, probes and to mechanical equipment. -Provides animal husbandry in accordance with established protocols and medical concerns. Maintains adequate stock of all section supplies, and reports low inventory levels to supervisor in a timely manner. -Reports any animal health or husbandry concerns to Curator and Vet staff. Proactively engages in common Water quality and Aquatic husbandry and health practices - Provides training in accordance with current FCZ training practices and protocols. Communicates challenges or deficiency in the program to curator. -Prepares and administers appropriate daily diets at designated times -Implements effective behavioral enrichment for selected animals and establishes a thorough written routine for assigned section. -Actively observes animals' behavior, checking for any signs of illness or disorder; reports irregularities and abnormal behavior to supervisor. -Maintains accurate feeding, health, and welfare records of assigned animals. -Exercise good judgement when making decisions that affect our collection. -Performs special assignments and projects as requested, and assists with other shifts as needed.
<b>Other Duties and Responsibilities</b>	
<b>Knowledge, Skills and Abilities</b>	Basic Job Requirements: -Strong verbal and written English skills and the ability to communicate effectively with the public. Bilingual skills a plus. -Ability to work evenings, weekdays, weekends, and holidays.
<b>Education &amp; Experienced Required</b>	Qualifications: -Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in Biology, Chemistry, Animal Science, Zoology or other applicable field preferred. -Minimum one (1) year related experience in a zoological or wildlife facility. -Twelve units of accredited college or university level course work in animal science, zoology, biology, wildlife management, or related field may be substituted for six (6) months experience.
<b>Licenses and Certifications Required</b>	Valid California driver's license and good driving record, preferred.

<b>Physical Requirements</b>	Physical Requirements: These are physical and mental requirements of the position as it is typically performed. Inability to meet one or more of these physical or mental requirements will not automatically disqualify a candidate or employee from the position. Upon request for a reasonable accommodation, the Zoo may be able to adjust or excuse one or more of these requirements, depending on the requirement, the essential functions to which it relates, and the proposed accommodation. This position is regularly required to bend, stoop, crouch, and kneel; use hands and arms for care of animals and cleaning of enclosures. Regularly required to climb stairs or ladders. The employee is regularly required to lift and/or carry up to 50 pounds, and occasionally up to 75 pounds. Evaluating animal health, diet, or environment requires, sight, hearing and sense of smell. Visual acuity to read printed instructions and safety information, and to assess animal behavior. Color perception is also required. Ability to receive detailed information through oral communication (in person and via telephone), at normal speaking levels with or without correction.
<b>Working Conditions</b>	Work Environment: -The position functions both indoors and outdoors, with potential exposure to heat, cold, and inclement weather. -The employee is regularly exposed to a variety of animals with risk of animal bites (including venomous), zoonotic disease, and other animal-related injury. -The employee may be required to work at heights. -Occasional travel may be required.
<b>Salary</b>	TBD
<b>Respond To</b>	Interested Applicants should apply through our website: <a href="http://www.fresnochaffeezoo.org/careers">www.fresnochaffeezoo.org/careers</a>
<b>Closing date</b>	09/03/2020

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