

# 2023 Sample Schedule: Texas Zoo\*

JUNE 11 - 17 | JUNE 18 - 24 | JUNE 25 - JULY 1 | JULY 9 - 15

## DAY ONE: ARRIVAL

Registration & Orientation

Introduction to Veterinary Medicine and Teaching Veterinary Staff

Setting Expectations & Goals

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*Days Two-Six are full day excursions on site at the Texas Zoo*

## DAY TWO: EXOTIC AND WILDLIFE MAMMALS

Introduction to Exotic and Wildlife Mammals

Field Class: Behavioral Observations

Animal Care Rotation^

- Food Preparation

- Enclosure Maintenance and Management

- Animal Enrichment

Suture Lab

Movie Night

*^Students will be split into three groups and rotate through each animal care activity*

## DAY THREE: LARGE & DOMESTICATED ANIMALS

Practice Physical Exams & Positive Reinforcement Training

Animal Care Rotation

Field Class: Zoo Ethics, Animal Welfare, and the Role of Zoos in Conservation

Bandaging Lab





### **DAY FOUR: REPTILES**

Introduction to Reptile Care

Field Class: Veterinary Diagnostics

Parasitology Lab & Reptile Physical Examinations

Animal Care Rotation

Design & Create Enrichment Projects

### **DAY FIVE: AVIANS**

Introduction to Avian Care

Small Group Work

- Radiograph Interpretation Lab

- Rabbit Physical Examinations

- Design "Keeper Talk" Projects

Exploring Pebble Beach

### **DAY SIX: CAREERS IN VETERINARY MEDICINE AND CONSERVATION**

Present "Keeper Talk" Projects

Field Class: Jobs in Veterinary Medicine & Capture and Release or Rehab

Small Group Work

- Enclosure Design Workshop

- Blood Cytology Lab

- Final Animal Care Rotation

### **DAY SEVEN: CLOSEOUT AND DEPARTURE**

Closing Session and Address: Program Debrief

Departure

*\*This sample schedule is provided as an example of the overall quality and scope of a typical program experience and is not intended to represent a specific 2023 schedule. The schedules and details vary between sessions.*