



Leadership Minor
Applied Leadership Proposal

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Proposal Type:

Internship Service Learning Research

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Year in School:

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Site Supervisor for Experience: Freddy Estabrook

Site Supervisor's Title: Head Zoo Keeper Specialist

Site Supervisor's Phone Number: ***_**_*_****

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Start Date: June 10, 2015

End Date: September 20, 2015

Approximate Hours Per Week: 35

Approximate Number of Weeks: 10

Approximate Total Hours: 350

Desired Credit Hours: 10

Please answer the following questions in the space provided below.

Summary of Experience: (What will you be doing during this experience? Please describe in detail what your role(s) and responsibilities will be at the site. Also, list any duties or projects with completion deadlines, if relevant.)

I will be completing an internship at the South Carolina State Zoo. My roles during this internship will include working with zoo staff to admit, care for, and monitor the health of a wide variety of animals. Additionally, I will be working with zoo staff to create and offer educational workshops related to animal biology and conservation.

Leadership Learning Outcomes: (What do you expect to learn through this experience?)

- 1.) While working closely with zoo staff, I hope to improve my ability to communicate with professionals in the animal science industry.
- 2.) The zoo utilizes a team approach to creating educational workshops; I hope to learn more about how effective teams operate through observation and involvement in these teams.
- 3.) During my experience I hope to build my professional network by establishing and maintaining a professional relationship with 10 individuals in the field of animal science.
- 4.) Through the development of educational workshops related to conservation, I hope to gain a better understanding of methods for motivating others to create change.
- 5.) As a new intern, I expect to receive constructive criticism. I am going to use this experience to develop my ability to use criticism to make me a better professional in animal science.
- 6.) Animals have an ever-changing set of needs; therefore this experience will push me to develop my problem solving skills and my ability to think on my feet.
- 7.) Members of the zoo staff have weekly meetings; I am interested in learning the strategies the zoo management uses for effectively running those meetings.
- 8.) The South Carolina State Zoo has cutting edge equipment for use with animals, as a leader I will need to have a foundational knowledge of this equipment. Through this experience, and working with zoo staff, I hope to gain that foundational knowledge and experience working with cutting edge technology.
- 9.) I believe leadership includes the ability to teach others, I look forward to developing my ability to teach through the education workshops.

10.) Staff at the zoo often interact with upset zoo patrons, observing and participating in these interactions will develop my ability to manage conflict.

Personal Development: (How will this experience contribute to both your leadership development goals and your career goals?)

My leadership and professional goals include working in zoo management. Therefore, the experience of working with the South Carolina State Zoo is a premiere opportunity for me. Specifically, this experience will develop my ability to work with professionals in the zoo profession, expand my professional network, and encourage me to develop those leadership skills that a manager of a zoo needs in order to be successful (e.g. interpersonal skills, technological knowledge, and ability to solve problems in a timely fashion).