



TRR CLINIC INTERN DESCRIPTION

DURATION OF INTERNSHIP

6 months

LOCATION OF INTERNSHIP

The Toucan Rescue Ranch (TRR) San Josecito, San Isidro de Heredia, Costa Rica

THE TOUCAN RESCUE RANCH

The Toucan Rescue Ranch's (TRR) mission is to rescue, rehabilitate, and release Costa Rica wildlife. TRR works with a model that focuses on conservation, education, and research to ensure a brighter tomorrow for Costa Rica wildlife.

TRR's emphasis is on the care, rehabilitation, and release of national wildlife. We receive and care for confiscated, sick, and injured animals from government agencies. The Toucan Rescue Ranch works closely with the Ministry of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica (MINAEC) who brings injured and displaced wildlife to the center. TRR provides sanctuary while giving treatment and rehabilitation. Whenever possible the animal is released to their natural environment.

The Toucan Rescue Ranch is a licensed Costa Rica wildlife rescue facility, Costa Rica foundation (300667701803) and a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization (EIN: 80-0516453).

CLINIC INTERN DESCRIPTION

The Clinic Intern works under the direction of our vet and our founder to care for the animals in our clinic and undergoing rehabilitation. Maintaining supplies and clinic records. Conducting treatments, examinations, diagnostic procedures, feeding and caring. Expect to work long hours and to be available for emergencies.

CLINIC INTERN ACTIVITIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Clinic and Animal Husbandry

- Feed and monitor animals in the clinic
- Clean clinic and kennels
- Triage animals received at the Toucan Rescue Ranch
- Assist in exams and treatments



- Animal enrichment
- Properly maintenance regarding animal enclosure and zookeeping.
- Backup to other Toucan Rescue Ranch Interns

Administrative Work

- Manage cleanliness and ordering of animal care supplies
- Evaluate and perfect quality of rehab animals' diets
- Complete thorough record keeping, and detail observations as needed

We are always open to suggestions. Let us know if you have a special skill you think will be useful.

REQUIREMENTS & QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must have experience in a veterinary setting, have excellent communication skills, a strong interest in animal welfare and conservation. Coursework in veterinary studies, primatology, zoology, environmental education, wildlife ecology or a related field is required. Experience traveling to a tropical country, living in remote conditions are preferred.

Basic Requirements:

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Provide proof of emergency health insurance while in Costa Rica
- Provide proof of current tetanus and rabies vaccinations
- Must be bi-lingual: Spanish and English
- Moderate degree of fitness
- First Aid course is highly recommended
- The ability to follow directions with attention to detail
- A positive “can-do” attitude and the ability to work well in a team environment
- Experience working with wildlife or animals is a plus

Ensuring *Best Practice* Implementation:

- Fostering practices that support and improve the Ranch’s philosophy, goals, and standards of care.
- Maintaining quality care by establishing and enforcing organization standards.
- Maintaining and sharing professional and technical knowledge by reviewing professional publications, establishing personal networks, benchmarking state-of-the-art practices and participating in professional societies.



WORK SCHEDULE

The Clinic Intern works 6 days a week with two days off one week a month - variable to change. Days off are not necessarily on the weekend. Daily schedule needs to be flexible depending on the animals in the clinic. Night work is required. Works long hours and expect to be ready for emergencies.

You will learn about your schedule and days off during your orientation at the Toucan Rescue Ranch.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM BENEFITS AND COSTS

Internships are voluntary self-funded positions. You will be responsible for all travel expenses/flights and immigration expenses.

Housing: Provided by TRR. Includes utilities and Wifi. Sloth Interns will stay at either the Sloth House at TRR Headquarters at the Intern House (6-minute walk).

Meals: Meals are provided 7-days a week. We will show you the local stores where you can buy additional food to supplement your meals. Please let us know if you are vegetarian, vegan, or have special dietary requirements.

Other: All other costs are to be paid for by the intern. This includes travel expenses, medical insurance, entertainment expenses, common household and a 5-day trip out of the country every three months to renew your visa.

I'D LIKE TO APPLY

If you would like to be a part of the TRR team, please send the following documents to applications@toucanrescueranch.org

- One-page cover letter of interest – specify which internship(s) you are interested in and when you are available to start
- CV or resume
- Contact information for three professional references

We will promptly contact you to schedule a Skype interview after reviewing your application. If you have any questions we are always available via email to answer any questions.

CONTACT

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