

**Pre-Veterinary Medicine at the
University of Hawai`i at Manoa
*Veterinary/Animal Opportunities (U.S./Abroad)***

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U.S Opportunities

Association of Zoos and Aquariums

Website: <https://www.aza.org>

Contact: Varied (refer to website)

E-mail: Varied (refer to website)

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) is a globally recognized brand representing the best of the world's aquariums and zoos. The mission of the Association is to provide its members with the services, high standards and best practices needed to be leaders and innovators in animal care, wildlife conservation and science, conservation education, the guest experience, and community engagement. Accredited zoos that are a part of AZA offer many volunteer and internship opportunities with exotic and wildlife animals. You will need to go to the zoo's direct website to get more information about the opportunities available at the zoo of your interest. To view all AZA accredited zoos, visit their website [here!](#)

Alaska SeaLife Center Summer Fellowships (Alaska)

Website: <http://www.alaskasealife.org>

Contact: n/a

E-mail: volunteercoordinator@alaskasealife.org

The Alaska SeaLife Center (ASLC) sponsors a summer fellowship program for college students or graduates who are interested in gaining a one of a kind experience in a world-class marine facility. ASLC summer fellowships offer a well-rounded experience in a variety of areas within the Center. Depending on the type of fellowship, duties may include assisting aquarium, avian or marine mammal staff with animal husbandry tasks; helping with marine-related research projects or as support in our education department. Fellows will be required to participate in a variety of areas and all are required to participate to some extent in the interpretive aspects of our operation. Fellows will not be permitted to participate in ASLC activities on vessels unless specified in the fellowship. Applications are now being accepted from Nov. 19, 2015 - Jan. 11, 2016. To learn more about the fellowship opportunities, visit Alaska SeaLife Center's Summer Fellowship Program website [here!](#)

Kentucky Equine Management Internship (Kentucky)

P.O. Box 910628, Lexington, Kentucky 40591-0628

Website: <http://www.kemi.org>

Contact: Leslie Janecka, KEMI Coordinator

E-mail: info@kemi.org

The Kentucky Equine Management Internship (KEMI) program is dedicated to improving the opportunities for college students wishing to pursue a career in the field of equine management. KEMI offers a comprehensive educational experience for students enrolled for academic credit through a sponsoring college or university juniors/seniors, or recent graduates of such institutions. For more information, visit the KEMI website or contact Leslie Janecka, KEMI Coordinator!

New England Wildlife Center (Massachusetts)

500 Columbian Street, South Weymouth, MA 02190

Website: <http://wildlife-education-center.com/internship/>

Contact: New England Wildlife Center Internship Coordinator

E-mail: nflah53@aol.com

The New England Wildlife Center internship program specializes in full-immersion apprentice-style job training to high school and undergraduate students. Students gain valuable first hand experience in veterinary medical technology, medicine and natural history with wildlife/exotic animals. Over a hundred, out of eight-hundred, of our interns have gone on to veterinary school and graduate training. Many gained their first exposure to the field of veterinary medicine at the New England Wildlife Center enter as volunteers who then went on to be interns at the Center. To learn more about the internship, visit the New England Wildlife Center website [here!](#)

Pacific Primate Sanctuary (Maui)

500-A Haloa Road, Haiku, Maui, HI 96708

(808) 572-8089

Website: <http://www.pacificprimate.org/future.htm>

Contact: n/a

E-mail: pps@aloha.net

Pacific Primate Sanctuary is a wildlife conservation organization dedicated to the protection and preservation of threatened, endangered, and distressed primates. Since 1984, the Sanctuary has maintained a federally authorized facility for threatened New World monkeys, many of whom have been rescued from research laboratories and the illegal exotic pet trade. Internships and volunteer opportunities are available at the sanctuary! For more information, visit the Pacific Primate Sanctuary's website!

Southwest National Primate Research Center (Texas)

7620 NW Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas 78227-5301

(210) 258-9400

Website: <http://www.snprc.org>

Contact: n/a

E-mail: <http://www.snprc.org/contact>

The Southwest National Primate Research Center (SNPRC) provides broad services in primate research. SNPRC contributes to a national network of National Primate Research Centers (NPRCs) with specialized technologies, capabilities and primate resources, many of which are unique to the SNPRC. SNPRC also serve investigators around the globe with research and technical procedures for collaborative projects. Summer internships and student volunteer

opportunities are available to undergraduate and graduate (Ph.D. and veterinary) students who are interested in research in the veterinary and other pre-health fields. To learn more, refer to the SNPRC Internship & Volunteer Program [here!](#)

Abroad Opportunities

Elephant Nature Park Volunteer (Thailand)

1 Ratmakka Road, Phra Sing, Chiang Mai 50200, Thailand

Website: <http://www.elephantnaturepark.org>

Contact: Elephant Nature Park Office

E-mail: +66 (0) 53 272855, +66 (0) 53 818932

Elephant Nature Park is an elephant rescue and rehabilitation center in Northern Thailand where you can volunteer and visit to help. We have been involved in dozens of rescues which have created our thriving elephant herd. The park provides a natural environment for elephants, dogs, cats, buffaloes and many other animals under our care. Volunteers and visitors contribute conservation work to the healing while learning about their lives past and present. Many weekly projects are available in Thailand, Cambodia and Myanmar. To learn more, visit the Elephant Nature Park website [here!](#)

Volunteers for Intercultural and Definitive Adventures (Central America)

Website: <http://www.vidavolunteertravel.org>

Contact: UHM VIDA Executive Board

E-mail: uhmanoa@vidavolunteer.org

VIDA is a non-profit organization that focuses on providing free medical, dental, and veterinary healthcare to rural communities in Central America. The chapter at UH Manoa completed the first trip to Costa Rica over spring break (Mar. 18 – 31, 2015). The students worked with talented doctors and translators to help diagnose and/or treat patients as well as provide spay/neuter clinics. For more information, visit the organization's website at check out the videos and photos of the first trip poster on Instagram, [@vidahawaii!](#)