

Mission: Inspire a love for science and curiosity about the world to create a brighter future.

Volunteer Position: Wildlife Watcher

This program gives volunteers experience in wildlife monitoring while providing valuable insight into animal welfare, conservation efforts, and careers in zoology. The data collected by Wildlife Watchers will directly support ongoing research on the welfare of captive exotic animals at CuriOdyssey.

Responsibilities:

- Utilize observational research techniques to monitor a variety of species
- Record animal behavior data according to specific guidelines using an iPad
- Apply a DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) lens when engaging with children, ensuring fair and equitable treatment. Avoid over-policing children and strive to understand and respect the diverse backgrounds and experiences of all children

Requirements:

- Physical condition that allows you to stand for the entirety of your shift
- Willingness to work in all weather conditions (most, but not all, observations can be conducted in covered areas)
- At least 16 years old. (18+ preferred)
- Minimum commitment of one 1-2 hour shift per week for at least 3 months

Preferred Experience and Qualities:

- Reliable and able to follow directions and protocols consistently
- Ability to observe and record data
- Interest in wildlife and the environment
- Experience with collection of observational data is not required, but helpful

Benefits:

- Opportunity to enhance research and communication skills
- Opportunity to contribute to the welfare of non-releasable animals
- 15% discount in the CuriOdyssey Shop

Training:

• Individual 1-2 hour training will be conducted by the Director of Wildlife

Apply:

• Complete an online <u>Volunteer Application</u>

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