

Interested in Exotics?

Get hands on wildlife experience!



There are plenty of ways to get exotics experience in the local area:

UC Davis California Raptor Center:

Located just south of the UC Davis campus along Old Davis Road, the CRC works tirelessly to rehabilitate and save the lives of California's native birds of prey. Volunteer applications are available at the beginning of the quarter, upon request.

Contact: 530-752-6091

Meyer Hall Hatchery:

The hatchery on the lower level of Meyer Hall houses tropical bird species used in research. Students have an opportunity to work at the hatchery in ANS 49K (2 units), or an independent internship.

Contact: knsmith@ucdavis.edu

Bodega Marine Laboratory:

Classes taught at Bodega Bay count towards an aquaculture specialization in Animal Science. Students spend a quarter living on site, studying marine and coastal ecosystems.

Visit: bml.ucdavis.edu

Wild Campus:

Wild Naturalist student volunteers work as a group to create multi-year conservation plans for local Davis wildlife. Volunteers are also responsible for public outreach events.

Visit: wildcampus.ucdavis.edu/

Museum of Wildlife and Fish Biology:

Located in the Academic Surge on Campus, the MWFB houses a large collection of local specimens. Interns are involved in specimen preparation, curatorial work, and science based outreach and education.

Contact: ieengilis@ucdavis.edu

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Center for Animal Welfare:

Based out of the UC Davis Animal Science Department, the Center for Animal Welfare conducts many research products, some of which include exotic animal care.

Visit: animalwelfare.ucdavis.edu

Six Flags Discovery Kingdom:

Work alongside large land mammals at Vallejo's famous animal-centered theme park. Interns are able to assist with basic animal husbandry and training for shows. Opportunities are also available with the park's marine mammals, although SCUBA certification is preferred.

Land Animal Contact: ccotter@sftp.com

Marine Mammal Contact: kWhelan@sftp.com

Sacramento Zoo:

The Sacramento Zoo offers volunteer experience year round for students. Keeper Aides shadow fulltime zoo keepers throughout their daily husbandry rounds.

Contact: 916-808-7444



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- Study a Foreign Culture
- Learn a New Language
- Work with Animals in their Natural Habitat

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Wild Lands Studies:

Spend a quarter immersed in wildlife research, in the US or abroad. Small teams of students work alongside professional biologists in their area of interest. Trips may count for 6 to 18 quarter units of credit.

Visit: www.wildlandsstudies.com

African Conservation Experience:

ACE is a program with dedicated zoologists, biologists, and conservationists who strive to protect African wildlife. Students are able to shadow veterinary staff year round working in large game reserves.

Visit: www.conservationafrica.net

Hawaii Endangered Bird Conservation:

The Keauhou Bird Conservation Center on the Big Island of Hawaii works with the San Diego Zoo to conserve local endangered birds. Husbandry internships are offered on location for a 4-6 month period. Applicants must be 21 or older.

Contact: hebcinternship@gmail.com

International Student Volunteers:

Ranked among the top 10 volunteer service organizations, ISV allows students to experience either eco-tourism or service trips in 2 or 4 weeks abroad. Programs involving wildlife rehabilitation are located in Thai Land, South Africa, and Costa Rica.

Visit: www.isvolunteers.org

Study Abroad Through UCEAP:

The University of California Education Abroad Program offers a plethora of choice for students to take coursework overseas. Popular programs for those interested in wildlife conservation include Marine Biology in Australia, and Conservation Biology in Costa Rica.

Visit: eap.ucop.edu

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