



GENERAL BARN ATTENDANT INTERNSHIP

INTERNSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES & TASKS:

- Interns apply for a position and discuss goals further during the interview process
- Interns will work a minimum of 40 hours/week with a 1-3 month commitment.
- You'll be assisting caregivers with general animal care including feeding and watering
- You'll be participating in barn and habitat cleaning on a daily basis
- You'll be learning from caregivers doing regular health checks and medical protocols
- As your skills and comfort level grows, you'll be given independent tasks to complete. The shelter manager and caregivers will be communicating directly with you every day about tasks assigned and to make sure all assigned duties are completed to a high standard
- Interns may be asked to assist with sanctuary projects or help with groundskeeping

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

- Internships are individualized and good for people who do well in immersive learning environments. Like many opportunities in life, what you get out depends on what you put in
- You'll be given readings on animal care and given the opportunity to apply what you are learning while under supervision of our shelter manager or caregivers
- You will learn general animal care protocols for different animal species
- You will learn about proper/safe animal handling techniques and grooming procedures
- You will be taught how to develop careful animal behavior observation skills
- You'll be invited to go on rescues, attend vet appointments, etc. as opportunities arise

QUALIFICATIONS:

- No previous animal experience is required for a barn attendant internship
- You must be willing and able to work in harsh/all weather conditions
- You must be able to perform strenuous physical labor and repeatedly lifting 50 lb. grain bags
- You must have a positive attitude and the mental strength to push through challenges
- You must have an understanding of the mission and programs of Peace Ridge Sanctuary and be willing to follow our strict vegan policy on sanctuary property if you aren't already vegan

BENEFITS:

- You'll be experiencing firsthand the challenges and joys of sanctuary work by interning at one of the largest and most active farmed animal and equine sanctuaries on the East Coast
- You can discover for yourself whether or not sanctuary work is the right fit for you
- You'll be doing meaningful work to benefit rescued farmed animals and equines
- You'll be able to learn from a dedicated team of knowledgeable professional caregivers
- You'll have the opportunity to learn from and interact with our rescued animal residents
- PRS internships build experience if you have a future career goal of working with animals
- When we are looking to hire, promising interns and volunteers are given priority