



The AMERICAN BALD EAGLE FOUNDATION

Dedicated to empowering public education and wildlife stewardship

American Bald Eagle Foundation Internship – Animal Care

Hours per week: 40+

Compensation: Housing, twice per month stipend (\$380), travel reimbursement (up to \$1,000)

The American Bald Eagle Foundation (ABEF) is a 501c3 nonprofit museum and raptor center in Haines, Alaska. The natural history museum features over 200 specimens that represent Southeast Alaska's natural, geological, and cultural history. The raptor center is home to 10 birds of prey who live and work on display. Our mission is the preservation of the bald eagle and its habitat through education and stewardship. The museum and raptor center collections help us achieve this mission by giving our guests up-close and personal experiences with wildlife and wild places.

Animal Care interns support the Foundation by performing many daily operational duties. AC interns report to the Animal Care Manager, but may be assigned duties by any staff including the Animal Curator, Museum Curator, Program Coordinator, and Executive Director. Animal care work is often dirty and difficult. On a daily basis, interns are responsible for:

- Enclosure cleaning and maintenance
- Diet preparation
- Enrichment development and delivery
- Educational programming (formal and informal)
- Back of house cleaning and maintenance
- Other tasks as assigned, including admissions/reception duties

Once trained and assessed, interns will also be responsible for:

- Collection of daily ambassador weights
- Daily ambassador training at the direction of the ACM
- Ambassador record keeping
- Reporting ambassador training progress to the ACM

You must be able to:

- Lift up to 50 lbs
- Work in extreme heat or cold
- Worked with deceased prey items
- Work safely with birds of prey
- Work occasional nights and weekends