

## INTERNATIONAL VETERINARY TRAINING PROGRAM

Applications are being accepted for enrollment in an advanced veterinary training program in wildlife medicine at the Indianapolis Zoo.

The Indianapolis Zoo has a diverse animal collection of over 1500 specimens representing 230 species including mammals, birds, reptiles, fish and invertebrates. The Polly Horton Hix Animal Care Complex is a 12,000 square foot fully equipped veterinary hospital featuring a dedicated surgery suite, treatment room, clinical pathology lab, diagnostic imaging room, hospital and quarantine wards, and necropsy. The veterinary department consists of four veterinarians, a nutritionist, three veterinary technicians, hospital area manager, senior keeper, nutrition center area manager, and nutrition center technician.

This training program will allow candidates to improve their clinical and diagnostic skills through instruction and hands-on experience with a variety of different species, focusing on South East Asian wildlife. Candidates will spend time with the veterinary, veterinary technician, husbandry, and nutrition staff, and may have the opportunity to travel to nearby zoological facilities to observe medical procedures. Learning objectives to be covered during the program include: preventative medicine/principles of biosecurity, anesthesia, diagnostic imaging, dentistry, emergency/critical care medicine, reproduction and neonatal care, surgery, necropsy, nutrition, medical record keeping, review and discussion of current literature, research project development, manuscript preparation, public speaking skills, animal husbandry, and operant conditioning/behavioral training.

Placement will be available for **2 candidates for a 3-4-week period between January to December 2019**. Scheduling of placement is flexible to accommodate the individual needs of the candidates.

Funding for participation in the program will be fully covered through a conservation grant provided by the Indianapolis Zoo including, international airfare, local transportation, housing, meals, and miscellaneous expenses.

Candidates must be employed by orangutan or wildlife rescue and rehabilitation centers within Indonesia and Malaysia. Candidates must also possess good English speaking skills, hold a valid passport, and obtain a visa to be able to travel to the United States for a period of 3-4 weeks.

Interested candidates should submit the following application materials:

- 1) A current curriculum vitae (CV)
- 2) A personal statement. Please describe the reasons why you would like to participate in this program, your professional goals, and what you hope to gain from this training.
- 3) Name and contact information for a reference or if possible, a letter of recommendation.
- 4) List of dates that you are available to participate in the training program in order of preference.

Please submit all application materials and any questions regarding the program to Dr. Melissa Fayette at mfayette@indyzoo.com.

Applications should be completed by **November 15<sup>th</sup>**, **2019**.