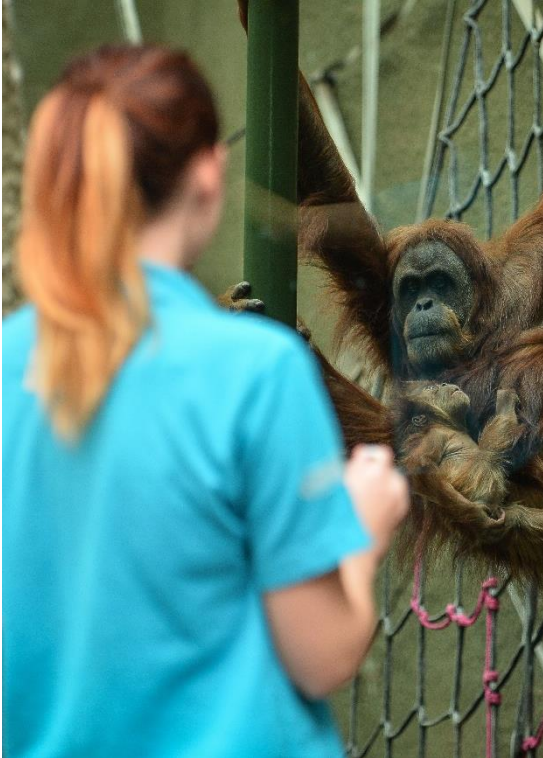


Animal Behaviour & Welfare Placement

Full-time 12 month voluntary industrial placement

Chester Zoo, Cedar House, Caughall Road, Chester, CH2 1LH

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AT **CHESTER ZOO**



Chester Zoo aims to be a centre of excellence for animal and plant care based on sound scientific principles. The Behaviour & Welfare Placement provides experience within a comprehensive applied animal science programme, with the ultimate aim of optimising animal behaviour and welfare.

Working with the Lead Conservation Scientist and Conservation Scientist specialising in Behaviour & Welfare in a team environment, the Behaviour and Welfare Industrial Placement will:

- Assist with the applied animal behaviour and welfare programme for over 500 animal species
- Undertake observations of animal behaviour across a variety of species using different methods
- Learn how to record animal behaviour and write summary reports for a range of stakeholders
- Conduct an animal behaviour research project and have the opportunity to present the findings to Chester Zoo staff, and potentially at a national conference

Key personal qualities:

- A passion for animal behaviour and welfare, demonstrated through previous work experience and related study (e.g. zoology, animal behaviour, veterinary medicine)
- Being highly organised and take pride in what you do
- The ability to write and deliver oral presentations in a clear, concise and engaging manner
- A desire to learn how science can be used to help support best practice in animal and plant husbandry and care
- Experience of using Microsoft Office software such as Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.

All industrial placements are full-time voluntary positions for 12 months, commencing September 2021. Although **no direct animal contact takes place in this role**, you will attend monthly workshops to gain wider knowledge of modern zoo management.

This opportunity is only available to those studying at a UK university on a degree programme with an industrial year. To apply please submit a CV and covering letter detailing your qualifications, interest in the position and your university and degree programme by email to Dr Leah Williams (research@chesterzoo.org)

*Closing date for applications is **30th October 2020** and interviews will be held shortly after.*