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Internship Opportunity 2nd and 3rd year Law Students

The Oregon Humane Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting the lives and advancing the interests of animals through adoption of homeless pets, animal welfare legislation, humane education, abuse investigation, and community outreach and leadership. Since 1868, the Oregon Humane Society has been dedicated to improving the welfare of animals in Oregon. The organization worked with Oregon's first humane investigator in 1890 and currently employs three field officers who work full time in the field enforcing Oregon's animal cruelty laws. OHS now serves the needs of over 11,500 animals each year. With over 100 staff members and a volunteer force of over 1,000, OHS is dedicated to 100 percent of the animals admitted to the shelter and strives to build a community of compassion.

During the spring of 2012, a law student will be given the opportunity to learn more about animal law and the inner workings of OHS by participating in the Spring 2012 Part-Time Investigations Internship. The internship position is described below:

The intern will have learning opportunities that include reviewing cruelty complaints, communicating with animal welfare investigators and prosecutors, researching a wide range of legal issues, and assisting with the drafting of documents associated with pending cases.

EDUCATION AND SPECIAL SKILLS Required

- This opportunity is open only to students in their second or third year of law school at an
 accredited institution. The ability to acquire school credit for internship hours is determined solely
 by the academic institution that the student is enrolled at and it is the responsibility of the student
 to inquire within their institution for credit.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Working knowledge of the Rules of Evidence
- Clear understanding of Criminal Law and Procedure
- Experience writing and editing legal documents.
- Ability to demonstrate high attention to detail.
- Ability to work at a steady pace in the midst of a rapidly paced work environment.
- Ability to be exposed to a wide variety of animal breeds and species in an animal shelter environment.
- Able to communicate with a diverse population in a consistently friendly, respectful and professional manner.
- Able to maintain a professional and calm demeanor while also exercising sound judgment during times of high workload, rapid pace of work, emotionally charged situations and during all interactions with the public, OHS staff and OHS volunteers.

DAYS/HOURS AVAILABLE

16-20 hours per week, daily scheduling to be determined based on student availability.

DURATION

16 weeks with a flexible starting date (dependent upon the student's schedule).

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This is an unpaid internship.

APPLY FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY

To apply for this opportunity, please visit the OHS career's website at: http://tbe.taleo.net/NA3/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=OREGONHUMANE&cws=1&rid=86