

****All participation in on-site WCS student externship programs are contingent upon current NYS, NYC, and WCS COVID procedures and protocols, and these may change between the time of externship application and the start of the programs.**



2023-2024 Application Cycle

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. When should I apply for your externship program?**
Students should apply in their junior year to be placed in a rotation their senior year. The 2023-2024 cohort covers rotational periods from June 2023-May 2024.
- 2. What is your application due date?**
Applications for the 2022-2023 cohort will be posted on our website (<https://oneworldonehealth.wcs.org/Training/Student-Externships.aspx>) summer 2022. Applicants must go to our website to download the application form. All application materials are due by October 15, 2022. Notifications/offers for rotational periods are sent out at the end of November.
- 3. How long are your rotational periods?**
Our rotations are six to eight weeks long. Only in special cases can we accommodate students looking to rotate with us for shorter or longer periods. If you have questions about your unique situation, please email the program administrator.
- 4. Do you accept students from non-U.S. veterinary schools?**
Our program has historically limited itself to students from AVMA-accredited institutions regardless of country. However, we have recently opened our program up to students from other veterinary schools. Students' participation from non-AVMA accredited institutions will be limited to observation only. Note that all training, presentations and instructions are in English, so students should be able to effectively communicate verbally and in writing in English.
- 5. Do you provide housing for your externs?**
No. Students are required to provide their own housing, food, and transportation. Accepted students who have questions about which neighborhoods are convenient to the zoo can reach out to the program administrator for suggestions.
- 6. Do you provide stipends for your externs?**
Externs who are eligible to work in the United States and who successfully complete their externship with us will be eligible to receive a stipend of \$600-\$1,200, depending on rotation duration.
- 7. How competitive is your program?**
Our program is competitive, but we try to accommodate as many qualified applicants as possible. Preference is given to those applicants who intend to pursue some aspect of zoological, wildlife, or conservation medicine in their career.
- 8. Where can I go if I have more questions?**
You can check out our general website (<https://oneworldonehealth.wcs.org/>) to see more about the work we do. For externship program specific questions, please contact the program administrator or supervisor.
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