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PALMETTO ANIMAL ASSISTED LIFE SERVICES OFFERS INTERNSHIPS

PAALS mission: Enriching and empowering children and adults with physical disabilities and social needs by training service animals and providing animal assisted educational and recreational activities.

PAALS Animal Training internships are designed for graduates of ADI Train the Trainer programs or graduates of Bergin University of Canine Studies Institute who wish to further their hands on experience working with dogs and individuals with disabilities. These internships will help aspiring service dog trainers, animal care specialists interested in breeding and/or kennel management, and innovative educators to acquire hands-on experience that is a prerequisite to gaining employment in these specialty fields.

Applicant Desired Characteristics:

- Computer proficiency in Word, PowerPoint, and Xcel programs
- Outstanding communications skills, both written and verbal
- Exceptional interpersonal skills
- High Attention to detail
- Ability to multi-task
- Clean driving record
- Background check

All internships are available for the spring (January – May), summer (May – September) and fall (September – January) terms. Interns will be incorporated into the daily activities of PAALS including: diet preparation, dog area cleaning and maintenance, assisting with public presentations and/or programs, animal monitoring and safety, animal training, enrichment, and husbandry sessions.

Interns must be able to work part-time, 20 hours per week, for 4 months.

The internships are unpaid positions. Housing may be available in exchange for increased hours and assistance. All interested applicants should contact Jen Rogers at jrogers@paals.org or at 803-788-7063.