

**KERN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
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CALM SERIES
RANGE: 37.0
CLASSIFIED
CODE: 7**

**ANIMAL KEEPER II
CALIFORNIA LIVING MUSEUM (CALM)**

DEFINITION

Under the direct supervision of the Program Supervisor (CALM), is responsible for the daily husbandry and care of the animal collection.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Prepares regulated diets for the animals;

cleans animal enclosures including animal waste, feeding trays and water containers;

maintains animal enclosure doors and locks;

keeps work areas clean and free of clutter;

assists in medical treatment and chemical restraint of animal collection;

assists others keeping staff in husbandry matters as needed;

assists with animal training and training of volunteers in animal handling.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

The proper care, handling, and restraining of animals;

animals indigenous to Kern County and California.

Ability to:

Understand and carry out written and oral instructions;

read, speak, and write English;

weigh and measure accurately;

lift 50 pounds on a regular basis and 125 pounds occasionally;

work outside in inclement weather conditions, including dust, heat, rain, and pollen;

see, hear, reach, bend, kneel and run and walk on rough terrain;

handle live animals for the purpose of feeding zoo animals;

maintain calm during emergency situations.

Experience:

Two years paid experience working with animals.

Education:

High school graduate:

college coursework in related sciences preferred or equivalent training and experience.

Condition of employment:

Passage of a pre-employment medical assessment;

current tetanus shot;

Some positions may require proof of privately owned automobile insurance and possess a valid California Motor Vehicle operator's license.

Fingerprint clearance by both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the California Department of Justice.

This position has a probationary period of six months or 130 days, whichever is longer.

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