

Monarto Zoo Plains-wanderer Keeper

- Employment Status – Permanent Part Time Role (0.5 FTE)

At Adelaide and Monarto Zoo, we're proud to welcome more than half a million people through our gates each year and we're not slowing down. With the roll out of our 20-Year Master Plan and a number of exciting projects on the horizon, we're thrilled to be expanding and evolving our workforce to position us for continued growth into the future.

ABOUT THE ROLE...

Monarto Zoo is looking for an experienced, motivated and enthusiastic keeper to work within the native section, specifically with our Plains-wanderer conservation program. The native team is involved with a number of conservation projects and contribute to breeding and release programs with species such as Tasmanian Devils and the Greater Bilby. The team also looks after endangered birds and reptiles like the Pygmy Blue Tongue Skink. The successful applicant may also have the opportunity to get involved with field work and will be working over a 7 day roster.

Excellent communication skills as well as the ability to work well within a team and independently are essential. Keeper presentations and guest interactions on encounters and behind-the-scenes tours require the ability to provide engaging and professional connections with our visitors. Training and conditioning skills and basic maintenance skills are highly desirable.

Our ideal candidate must be motivated, organised, have great time management and show a desire to encourage this section to strive for corporate goals and objectives.

As part of our Life Sciences team, day to day tasks may include:

- Obtain, prepare and provide food to animals in accordance with established diets, feeding schedules and procedures.
- Clean food and water vessels, holding areas, exhibits and food preparation and storage areas to required standards, ensure animal areas are maintained free of debris and hazardous materials.
- Provide animals with nesting and bedding materials and other items required to meet their behavioural requirements
- Observe and report on animal behaviour and changes to the condition of animals.
- Maintain diaries and animal records and report matters of interest to the Senior Keeper.
- Participating in the implementation and monitoring of behavioural enrichment and training and conditioning programs to affect animal behaviour and allow routine examinations and procedures without distress
- Undertaking informal presentations and 'Keeper Talks', presenting to public groups and responding to questions.

- Working consistently in accordance with established safety procedures to ensure animal security, personal safety, protection of coworkers and the public.
- Working in line with relevant Policy and Procedures/Standard Operating Procedures and providing feedback and proactive suggestions for change as required.

ABOUT YOU...

To be considered for this position you will need to meet the following selection criteria:

- Have or be working towards Certificate III in Captive Animals or other relevant and acceptable Zoo Keeping experience.
- Proven experience in a practical captive animal related role, specifically with native fauna and/or birds.
- Knowledge and understanding of Workplace Health & Safety principles and process.
- Ability to deliver informative and engaging presentations that relay our conservation messaging.
- High level of communication and interpersonal skills with peers, staff, volunteers and public.

For more information or to apply online, go to;

<https://www.zoossa.com.au/careers/>

Closing date not specified.