

## Auckland Zoo Casual Keeper

Auckland Zoo is recognised as one of the most progressive zoos in the world. A winner of national and international environmental-related awards, it is home to 108 different species and over 560 animals.

The primate team at Auckland Zoo is dynamic and challenging and looking for a casual trainee keeper. This is a unique opportunity to play a key role in the care and development of the Zoo's primate collection and to actively contribute to conservation both in the zoo and in the field. You will be able to become a part of an organisation that aims to focus the Zoo's resources to benefit conservation, and provide exciting visitor experiences, which inspire and empower people to take positive action for wildlife and the environment.

As a member of the Zoo's primate team, the primary focus of the role is to care for the Zoo's primate collection, providing best practice husbandry, contributing to our understanding of the biology of these species and delivering attractive animal exhibits and meaningful encounters to our 700,000+ annual visitors.

All applicants must have the following credentials:

- Recognised qualifications in captive animal management and/or zoology/biology
- A minimum of 1 - 2 years' experience working with primates
- Demonstrated commitment to the conservation of species and ecosystems
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the demonstrated ability to positively contribute to a team
- environment
- Excellent understanding of the natural history of primates
- Demonstrated ability to deliver excellent customer service
- Sense of fun
- Driver's licence and the ability to drive a manual vehicle

Desired:

- A thorough understanding of the role nutrition plays in the welfare of captive animals
- An in-depth understanding of the 5 domains of animal welfare

This is a casual role, working on a 7-day rotating roster system including weekends and public holidays. A high level of energy and physical fitness will enable you to meet the daily challenges of the role. The primate team is looking for someone who is adaptable and open minded with a desire to push themselves to benefit conservation and animal welfare.

For more information or to apply online, go to;  
<https://careers.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/jobdetails?ajid=bkq9p>

**Applications close: 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017.**