

Auckland Zoo Primates 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 126 different species and over 1,000 animals. Your primary focus will be providing best practice husbandry, contributing to the understanding of primate species and provide exciting visitor experiences, which inspire and empower people to take positive action for wildlife and the environment.

All applicants must have the following credentials:

- Proven experience in the management of primates with preference given to ape experience.
- Recognised qualifications in captive animal management and/or zoology/biology.
- A minimum of 3 years' experience working with primates.
- Demonstrated excellent communication skills.
- A track record of innovative husbandry including development of training and enrichment programmes.
- 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.
- Driver's licence and the ability to drive a manual vehicle.
- A thorough understanding of the role nutrition plays in the welfare of zoo animals.
- An in-depth understanding of the 5 domains of animal welfare

This is a permanent, full time 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=7W4vp>

Applications close: 18th March 2018.