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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 people who are working towards becoming a professional in the assistance dog field or hope to incorporate assistance dogs into a specialized field, and have some related experience. These internships will help aspiring service dog trainers, animal care specialists, 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 Excel 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 full-time, 40 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](mailto:jrogers@paals.org) or at 803-788-7063.