

Zootah Internship

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Superworm colony for sustainable, high nutrient diets



Proper handling practices for larger reptiles on "Gojira"



Learning Objectives

- Learn how to administer basic medications and shots without professional help.
- Understand diet requirements for captive reptiles.
- Learn how to develop enrichment activities for captive reptiles.
- Develop skills in raising live food for captive reptiles.
- Learn about monitoring body condition in captive reptiles through weight and enclosure tracking.

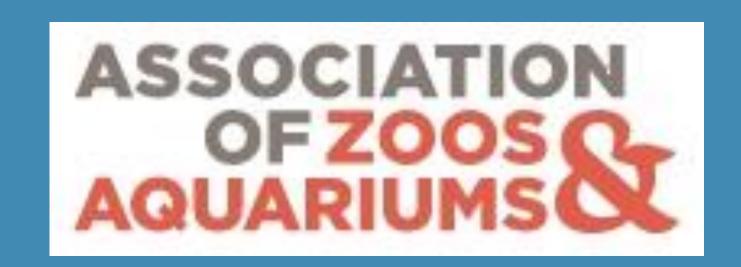


Screening for mouth rot in Burmese python "Sunshine"

Valuable Lessons learned:

- The value of different perspectives in a working environment to reach an ultimate goal.
- The need for creativity in allowing the animal life at a zoo to thrive and not only survive.
- Exposure to the workings of a zoo and the fun that it can be.





Future Career Goals:

1. US Forest Service

- This internship solidified my desire to work as a wildlife biologist in order to preserve local wildlife.

2. Zoos and Aquariums

- This internship helped me realize how much fun a zoo career could be. I love working with animals themselves, particularly herps.

