

Applied Animal Behavior Internships Available

The two year-long internships are to conduct research at shelters.

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The ASPCA is offering two year-long internships for animal science graduate students to work full-time in animal shelters and conduct research related to a program that improves the shelter experience for animals.

The ASPCA's "Meet Your Match" program, which is used in shelters across the United States, uses behavior assessments to predict how a shelter cat, dog or puppy may behave in his or her new home for the first several weeks.

The assessments are used with surveys to match adopters to appropriate animals.

The "Meet Your Match" internships are intended for full-time graduate students in animal behavior programs who are: Interested in obtaining hands-on research experience in applied settings. Enrolled as a full-time master's or doctoral student and obtaining full course credit for the internship. Willing to relocate for one year – from August 2007 to July 2008 – to the community where the assigned shelter is located.

To apply, send a C.V. and two reference letters to: Emily Weiss, Ph.D., C.A.A.B., Sr. Director of Shelter Behavior Programs ASPCA, 2672 SW Indianola, Benton, KS 67017. For more information, Weiss can be reached at (316) 778-1273 or e-mailed at emilyw@aspc.org.