CALIFORNIA CONDOR REMOTE OBSERVATION STUDENT INTERNSHIPS:

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Interns requested for: Fall X Winter X Spring X Summer X
Interns needed: 2
Keep listing on file for one year

Project Description: Ventana Wildlife Society’s Condor Recovery Program is seeking qualified students to assist with Condor observations via internet-based, live-streaming video monitoring of a remote condor release site starting in January of 2015.

Link to Condor Cams: http://www.ventanaws.org/condor_cam/

This position offers monitoring experience of endangered Condors and other scavenger species located in our Wilderness Sanctuary in Big Sur, CA. Students are expected to spend 6 hours per week (60 total) on their internship to receive 2 units of credit. Applicants will be required to attend an In-person interview at the VWS administration office located in Salinas, CA. and if selected, to successfully complete follow-up training sessions at the Salinas location. After training, cam observation timeslots will be assigned (weekends preferred).

Duties:
- Accurate identification of condor wing tag (colors and numbers) and completion of on-line data entry form.
- Efficient operation of two remote cameras via the internet for 2-6 hour increments
- Adhering to camera operation protocols

Applicant Prerequisites/Requirements:
- Must be pursuing a degree in biological/environmental-related sciences.
- Must commit to conducting observations for at least 6 hours per week for two quarters minimum (20 weeks for total of 120 observation hours).
- Familiarity with individuals of the central California condor flock: (mycondor.org) and (nps.gov/pinn/naturescience/profiles.htm).
- Overall knowledge of the Condor Recovery Program and its goals: (ventanaws.org/species_condors) and (nps.gov/pinn/naturescience/condors.htm).
- Prior data entry and raptor identification skills preferred.
- Willingness to continue on as a volunteer if asked.

Interested applicants please send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references to David Moen, Condor Field Crew Leader: davidmoen@ventanaws.org.