



amaZOOnico

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Project Coordinator Assistant AMAZOONICO

If you are passionate about wildlife and environmental conservation come to the Amazon Rainforest for an experience of a lifetime

Location

📍 amaZOOnico

Ecuador

Highlights

- ⚙️ Assist in the management of the operations of amaZOOnico, an invaluable opportunity to make a difference
- 🎓 Gain valuable, hands-on, nature-based teaching experience
- 🌱 Experience the Amazon Rainforest and local cultures, a unique adventure in the most diverse place on Earth
- 🤝 Join an amazing work team and build long-lasting friendships with locals and volunteers from all over the world

About amaZOOnico

amaZOOnico Wildlife Rescue Center is a conservation organization working in favor of wildlife since 1993. It is part of the [Sachamanda umbrella project](#). The center cares for and rehabilitates animals that were victims of the illegal trade. We strive to provide the best possible life for the animals which are permanent residents of the center and reintroduce viable candidates back into the wild. We have a great focus on education as a main tool to prevent wildlife trafficking.



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Lea Schlunegger

President of Padrinos del amaZOOonico

"I have known amaZOOonico for ten years now and I am still fascinated by it. A community of locals and people from different countries have created a place where everyone meets with respect, curiosity and love. Where people learn from each other and develop. It is a place where you can feel how nature breathes, how the animals crawl, swim and jump, and how the plants grow. A place where the sky seems to crash above you and where the sun makes the earth steam"



Dr. Sam Shanee

Director of Neotropical Primate Conservation

"When I was starting out in conservation nearly 20 years ago, amaZOOonico was one of the first places I worked, then just as now they provide help for endangered species, giving homes and a chance to monkeys rescued from the illegal pet trade. To see these animals living happy and free again is priceless, and helps maintain the forests and ecosystems of the Amazon, which we all depend on for survival"

Dr. Scott Ford

Head of Research at amaZOOonico

"All life on our planet, including human, is connected through complex and delicate processes, and by any measure, the Amazon Rainforest should be considered the world capital of life. If you care about life you must care about the Amazon."



The setting

amaZOOonico Wildlife Rescue Center is located within the Selva Viva Protected Forest in Napo, Ecuador, roughly a one and a half hour drive from the nearest city, Tena. The site is only accessible by canoe via the Arajuno River. The project coordinator will stay in a cozy cabin located at the center. Keep in mind this is located in the tropical rainforest, which means lots of insects, heavy rain, high heat, and humidity will be a part of everyday life.

The Position

Join amaZOOonico as a Project Coordinator Assistant, a full-time, demanding yet rewarding role for those deeply passionate about nature and animals. You will work closely with the Project Coordinator to guarantee the highest quality of life for all our animal residents, both long-term and short-term.



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Additionally, you will provide cover for the Project Coordinator during their days off and vacations. The main responsibilities include:

Volunteer Management

- Train, and supervise volunteers, ensuring comprehensive understanding of animal care, visitor interactions, safety protocols, food preparation, tour guiding.
- Plan the work schedule for each week.
- Organize social activities to foster a positive volunteer environment.

Animal Care

- Collaborate with other staff members on the care of baby orphans.
- Assist with cleaning and feeding of the animals when needed.
- Plan and oversee wildlife rehabilitation and release programs.

Research and Education Programs

- Apply for conservation and research grants.
- Manage the center's databases.
- Coordinate with researchers.
- Coordinate and lead field courses for high school and university students.
- Manage budget for all research and education programs.
- Lead amaZOOnico learning center efforts.

What is expected from you

Giving the best possible conditions to all amaZOOnico inhabitants (non-human and human). Kindness and respect towards the natural environment, wildlife and cultural diversity should guide all daily decisions. You are expected to ensure that amaZOOnico runs smoothly every day and to possess the following qualities:

- Loves animals, people, good with numbers.
- Team leadership experience, or knack for it.
- Familiar with scientific research and conservation.
- Quick learner, adaptable.
- Stays calm in emergencies.
- Fluent English, intermediate Spanish (fluency preferred).
- Handles demanding work.



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- Good physical shape.
- Practical problem-solver.
- Bachelor's or higher in environmental discipline preferred.
- Teaching and outreach experience preferred
- Minimum 1-year stay.
- Comfortable with hot, humid rainforest, remote tropical location with limited communication, and multicultural work.
- Start August-September.

What's Included

- 🍲 Food
- 🏠 Lodging (water, electricity, internet)
- ⓘ fees and support for obtaining an Ecuador visa (If applicable)
- ✈️ Relocation stipend
- 💰 Monthly stipend

How to apply

Please fill out our [application form](#),

including:

- CV
- Contact info of two references

We will receive applications until July 18th, 2025

Any questions? Just send Sandra an email at sandra@amazoonicorescue.org