

The UC Davis Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center (WHC) is recruiting for a staff position as a Wildlife Care Specialist. Under the direction of the Deputy Director of Care Operations for the Oiled Wildlife Care Network (OWCN), this position will provide specialized leadership and support in the area of oiled wildlife care activities. As part of the OWCN response team, this position will serve, in concert with the Deputy Director, as the lead oiled wildlife rehabilitation expert for the OWCN during and between spills. During non-spill periods, the incumbent will help ensure oil spill readiness by acting as an expert in wildlife care activities and protocols, promoting and improving readiness by maintaining equipment and supplies necessary for primary care operations, developing and maintaining relationships with key Member Organizations, assisting in wildlife research efforts to promote best achievable care, and assisting in development and execution of wildlife training/informational workshops throughout California.

**Specific Responsibilities:**

- **Readiness and Response (70%)**
  - Plan, develop, organize, lead, and implement oiled wildlife preparedness as it relates to oiled wildlife rehabilitation activities.
  - Develop, foster, and maintain relationships with OWCN Member Organizations to ensure OWCN maintains good working relationships and knowledge of current wildlife rehabilitation techniques applicable to oil spill response being used by these organizations.
  - Develop/update and lead/assist in trainings related to all areas of oiled wildlife care in collaboration with other OWCN Management Team members.
  - During oil spills, provide essential support of oiled wildlife operations, including acting in one of a number of roles as needed within the Care & Processing or Field Stabilization Group.
- **Research (15%)**
  - Participate in development & execution of studies on new and innovative wildlife rehabilitation techniques, including husbandry methods, materials and medical treatments.
- **Outreach, Public Service, and Other Duties (15%)**
  - Assist OWCN Readiness staff in developing and maintaining outreach materials on oil spill preparedness and wildlife care techniques.
  - Represent the Wildlife Health Center and OWCN at various local, national and international meetings, including industry response drills and exercises.
  - Develop and maintain relationships with the greater California and national rehabilitation community to ensure OWCN maintains good working knowledge of new and innovative wildlife rehabilitation techniques applicable to oil spill response.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- BS degree in biological sciences and/or equivalent experience/training in an animal care field.
- Experience providing animal and rehabilitation to injured wildlife.
- Ability to communicate biological information in lay terms to wildlife rehabilitation volunteers.
- Advanced skills in diplomacy, oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Management skills to effectively manage personnel resources.
- Skill to work as a team member within this structure.
- Organizational skills and flexibility to adjust workload & respond to diverse and changing deadlines.

**Position Close Date:** 1 November 2018

**To Apply:** [www.employment.ucdavis.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=80940](http://www.employment.ucdavis.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=80940)

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