

GEORGIA AQUARIUM

Career Information



What department is this position in?

Animal Health

What is the position's official job title?

Assistant Registrar

Does this position require a college degree?

Degree is recommended, but equivalent experience may be acceptable.

What kind of degree does this position require?

Any Bachelor's Degree, sometimes in combination with experience.

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Do you need any certifications outside of a degree for this position?

Not necessarily, but ZRA (Zoological Registrars Association) Certification is recommended.

What does the average day look like for this position?

It varies day to day, but includes a great deal of data entry, data management, interfacing with the animal teams, and monitoring animal transport logistics for regulatory compliance. Some days get extra exciting when we have an inspection, be it with a regulatory body like USDA APHIS or Georgia DNR, or an accreditory body like AZA, AAMPA, IMATA, or American Humane.



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Are there any internships that help to get this position?

Not currently at Georgia Aquarium, but some zoological institutions offer internships/volunteer opportunities with the Registrar/Assistant Registrar.

What path did you take to get to working at Georgia Aquarium?

My background is a bit unique. I have a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and began working for Georgia Aquarium as a spotlight operator for the original dolphin show in 2011. I was promoted to Lighting Director in 2013 and Assistant Manager of Production in 2019. I moved to my current position of Assistant Registrar with no direct experience, but was given the opportunity due to my history with Georgia Aquarium and my passion for data.

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What is your favorite part about working at Georgia Aquarium?

Working for a company that is actively participating in the conservation and sustainability of aquatic wildlife. The animals. The people. Everything.

Is there anything else you want to share about this position?

If you are fascinated by data, are detail oriented, and would like a position where you can support those working directly with animals, this is a great position for you!

