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Cheetah Conservation Fund

Otjiwarongo, Namibia

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Purpose: Applying for an internship at CCF.

Dear Mr/Mrs,

Being selected for your internship would be like a dream becoming true. I entered in veterinary medicine studies, 5 years ago, with the expectation to be able, one day, to work with wild animals especially felines and taking part in wildlife preservation programs.

To me, being a veterinary is not only about being passionate about animals. It is also about being part of a worldwide effort to ensure a future to our planet, saving the biodiversity and species conservation. My studies, so far, have been very centred on cattle and domestic pets. I would be so happy to finally have access to wildlife veterinary experience. In my opinion wildlife medicine is much more an emergency care or lifesaving interventions than in small animals, which interests me much more.

I've had a passion for animals, especially felines since my early childhood. And I've had the great chance to travel a lot with my parents. My dad grew up in Africa and transmitted his love for this continent in the stories he told us and by making us visit a lot of countries. I also lived for 1 year in Rwanda, which was a very rewarding experience. It forced me to get out of my comfort zone and learn how to adapt to another lifestyle and culture.

I think all of my life experiences have helped me getting the person I am and being able to achieve my goals. I am a very determinate person, who will always try my best to complete what I started. I have a lot of facilities to get along with animals, and I even learn very quickly how to work with species I'm not used to handle. I have a sociable and friendly personality, which allows me to work in groups, but I'm also very independent, which means I can easily work on my own too.

I've gathered a number of different experiences out of my student jobs and volunteering that are mentioned in my resume. I've seen how classic veterinarian work during my student job at the small animals' clinic. I have witnessed the difference with wildlife medicine during my volunteering at the wildlife centre in Dudelang. As part of my bachelor, I have also done an internship in a farm, which showed me my capacity of hard manual work and the reality of rural veterinary medicine.

To conclude I think I'm a good candidate for this internship, and I would be pleased and honoured to help out in your conservation centre.

Sincerely,
Courteille Romane