## **Campus Recreation**

Outdoor Adventures

Outdoor Trip Leader Position Description



## **Position Overview:**

Outdoor Trip Leaders are volunteers for Campus Recreation. In their role, they are
responsible for planning and leading day and overnight Outdoor Trips. In addition to
leading trips, Outdoor Trip Leaders are responsible for assisting with new Outdoor Trip
Leader trainings as well as leading Project Explore.

## **Position Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Co-lead Outdoor Trips for the Towson community in skills including, but not limited to; hiking, backpacking, rock climbing, whitewater kayaking, canoeing, and biking
- Maintain availability to participants at any time, 24 hours a day, for the duration of an Outdoor Trip
- Teach and abide by "Leave No Trace" outdoor ethics
- Instruct participants in camp craft, wilderness survival, navigation, and technical skills
- Plan and lead pre-trip meetings with participants
- Assist in the training of new outdoor trip leaders
- Manage and conduct field maintenance on all Outdoor Adventures equipment
- Complete all pre- and post-trip paperwork
- Assist in the promotion of all Outdoor Trips
- Lead a minimum of one section of Project Explore during the summer term
- Collaborate with Outdoor Trips Manager to develop new programs and initiatives
- Understand the emergency action plan and implement the appropriate steps when necessary
- Uphold the mission and values of the Department of Campus Recreation
- Adhere to and model the tenants of the Outdoor Adventures Full Value Commitment
- Establish and maintain clear and open communication with staff and supervisors
  - Show respect to all co-workers/supervisors
  - o Be up-front and honest with all concerns
  - Except and use constructive criticism as a learning tool
- Perform other non-routine tasks as assigned by supervisors

## **Qualifications:**

- Must commit to attending all monthly sessions of the initial year-long training process
- Must pass examinations and receive certifications in Wilderness Medicine, Towson Large Van Driver, and any necessary technical skills
- Must commit to leading a minimum of two trips per academic term for a minimum of three consecutive academic terms
- This position requires the employee to be able to participate actively in hiking, backpacking, biking, rock climbing, and paddlesports. The employee will have to sustain these activities for hours at a time in variable environmental conditions.
- Employees must be able to respond to an emergency requiring swift movement and performing CPR.

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