

Outdoor Youth Leader: Wilderness Survivor Instructor

Salary: Day camp: \$127.50/day, Overnight: \$161.5/day

Duration of Employment: Camps run from Jul 6th – Aug 28th (Monday – Friday)

Mandatory Trailer driving day on June 25

Camp Staff Training June 26, 28-30 & July 2-3, 2020

Instructor training: One day between June 1st and 15th that works for all instructors

A. NATURE & SCOPE

If you want to spend your summer in the mountains teaching young people the basics about surviving in the outdoors, how to build a fire, making shelters, and more: then this position is for you! We are looking for passionate educators and outdoor enthusiasts with a keen interest in outdoor survival. This position will be responsible for taking the lead on our Wilderness Survival camps for campers in grades 6-8 as well as, help with our other out of city camps. Each week they will be driving campers out of the city in 15 passenger vans and into the mountains to explore and learn how to survive! This camp includes 1 overnight trip where the group will sleep in self-constructed shelters. Instructors are required to supervise campers and implement weekly activities for most of our Wilderness Survivor camps that include both urban and backcountry settings. Instructors will be given the camp manuals in advance and training prior to running the camp. Instructors report to the Youth Program Coordinators and will be required to work for the duration of the dates listed above.

B. CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Enthusiasm for working with young people in the outdoors
- Meet and greet guardians and campers on arrival and departure from camp
- Implement all aspects of the daily schedule
- Provide quality care, fun, and supervision to all campers
- Participate in all group activities and encourage camper participation. Activities include (but not exclusive to): rafting, mountain biking, canoeing, fishing, hiking, and outdoor photography
- Provide first aid care when necessary and notify the Youth Program Coordinators of actions
- Provide weekly written reports to Youth Program Coordinators
- Abide by the Outdoor Centre's Policies and Procedures

C. QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience and knowledge with survival skills: knots, tarps, fire building, camping, etc.
- Must be available and willing to work Monday to Friday from 8:00am to 4:45pm + Thursday overnights
- To be available for staff training dates (listed above) which will include a trailer driving course
- Experience and/or educational training working with youth (ages 5-18)
- Run parent/participant information meetings each week regarding the expectations for overnight trip
- Valid (or intent to get) Class IV Driver's License and clean driving record is required- it can be offered at a subsidized rate (to drive for the University of Calgary you need to be 21 years or older)
- Valid (or intent to get) Wilderness First Aid (40hrs) and CPR- it can be offered at a subsidized rate
- Valid (or intent to get) Outdoor Council of Canada's Field Leader (hiking) certification, a fishing license, and a police check for the vulnerable sector (all subsidized)

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS March 2nd, 2020

WE WILL START INTERVIEWS PRIOR TO DEADLINE

Please Submit Resumes to Bridget and Nikko at outkids@ucalgary.ca