

Outdoor Adventure Program Apprentice Trip Leader Job Description



The Outdoor Adventure Program (OAP) is a new program run through the Department of Recreational Sports that organizes trips, events, clinics, and more with an outdoor adventure theme. Goals of the program include increasing participants' appreciation and protection of natural resources as well as opportunities for personal exploration, growth and leadership development through their participation in outdoor activities.

Apprentice Trip Leader Responsibilities:

- Desire to become an assistant trip leader/adventure trip leader and develop outdoor and leadership skills.
- Ability to learn how to lead outdoor adventure trips ranging from half day trips to week long trips.
- Look out for the well being of all participants and maintain personal safety.
- Adhere to Leave No Trace principles during all programs and educate participants.
- Assist in hosting 1-2 clinics per semester and facilitate positive group interaction.
- Promote OAP and present it in a positive way.
- Provide excellent customer service; be courteous and eloquent at all the times.
- Attend staff meetings, seminars and trainings as requested.
- Work in close collaboration with OAP Coordinator and OAP Graduate Assistant to accomplish OAP's and the Recreational Sports mission.

Apprentice Trip Leader Qualifications:

- Leadership and outdoor experience are preferred.
- First Aid, and CPR certification or ability to obtain within 1 month of hire.
- Ability to maintain high academic standards with a minimum of 2.0 GPA for Undergraduates/ 3.0 GPA for Graduates.
- Ability to communicate effectively, strong work ethic, act in a mature and responsible manner.
- Willingness to make a one or two year commitment to the OAP including work on weekends, in the evenings, and school breaks.
- Positive work ethics including respect, ready to help out, committed to providing the highest quality programs possible and have a welcoming attitude.

Please submit a complete application package to the Recreational Sports Department and keep this job description for your records. All application materials should be submitted to bnemeth@odu.edu or:

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Please contact the Outdoor Adventure Program at (757) 683-3389 if you have any questions.