# Denali Discovery Camp Instructor-In-Training Position Description



## Job Duration: June 12-14 (Training), 17-21, 24-28

**Reports to:** Youth Programs Manager

### Overview:

Denali Discovery Camp is a week-long environmental education program offered in partnership with the National Park Service through the Murie Science and Learning Center. The goal of the program is for youth entering grades 1-8 to explore Denali National Park in a fun and safe manner. We are looking for enthusiastic high school students, or college aged students with an interest in outdoor education, to serve as Instructors-In-Training.

This position is a great opportunity to stay involved with Denali Discovery Camp after being a camper, and put you on track to become a full instructor after high school. You will gain meaningful leadership experience, while putting the skills you have developed into practice on a daily basis. Become a role model for younger campers!

#### **Position Responsibilities:**

Instructors-In-Training will assist Instructors and NPS Rangers with leading educational hikes, engaging hands-on learning activities, and leading an overnight camping trip in Denali National Park. Regular duties include:

- Work collaboratively with two lead camp instructors to co-teach and co-supervise up to 10 youth in an outdoor setting for at least seven hours per day, five days in a row, for two consecutive weeks.
- Help campers to explore and connect with the natural world around them by assisting with facilitating hands-on environmental learning activities that are educational, fun, age-appropriate, safe, and promote and adhere to Leave No Trace principles.
- Follow and enforce risk-management protocols as outlined by NPS, DEC, and State and Federal agencies.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Must be 16 or older for full time role. There may be part-time options for 14 and 15 year olds.
- Enthusiasm for exploring the outdoors and working with children.
- A positive attitude and desire to learn from and work collaboratively with lead instructors.
- Current CPR/First Aid certification (Wilderness First Responder or Wilderness First Aid preferred) or ability to obtain is required.

#### Preferred Knowledge and Skills

- Familiarity with Denali National Park and the surrounding area
- Previous experience with Denali Discovery Camp as a camper
- Experience caring for and/or teaching children

#### **Benefits:**

Salary is dependent on experience and length of availability. Salary starts at \$400/week.

#### Disclaimer:

This position description reflects the Denali Education Center's best effort to describe the essential functions and qualifications of this job. It is not an exhaustive statement of duties, responsibilities, and qualifications, nor a contract.

To Apply: Email a letter of interest and resume to Shannon Conway at <u>youth@denali.org</u>.