

# Voyage Instructor

## Job Description

### Expectations

Voyage Instructors lead wilderness, outdoor, and/or urban adventures as an orientation experiences for incoming students. They are volunteers that are paid a (\$300-\$350) stipend to help compensate you for your time. Voyage leaders are expected to facilitate new student introduction to Pacific by conducting four to five-day adventures. Each Pacific Voyage will have up to ten new students. Leaders are expected to be positive role models and skilled facilitators of their respective activities.

### Qualifications

#### Previous experience or passion to learn the activity you will be leading

##### Wilderness Trips

- Backpacking
- Sea Kayaking
- Canoeing
- Backback/Canoe

##### Outdoor Trips

- Surfing
- Rock Climbing
- Rafting

##### Urban Excursions

- Urban Adventure

#### Necessary Attributes

- Excellent listening and speaking skills
- Flexibility and creativity and the ability to solve problems with limited resource
- Sense of humor, ability to tell stories and laugh at yourself
- Sensitivity to needs of diverse populations

#### Training Requirement for all instructors

- Van, trailer, bus certification through the Pacific University Motor Pool (Spring of 2015)
- Attend two of three 90minute seminars during the spring semester
- First Aid and CPR certification that is good through the end August 2015
- Two-day Voyage Curriculum training (Tentative: Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> 2015)
- 4 Day Activity Training (Tentative: Aug 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2015)
- Voyages Trip Preparation (Tentative: Aug 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 2015)
- Leading Actual Voyage (Tentative: Aug 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2015)

#### Training Requirements for Urban Adventure Lead Instructor

- Civic Engagement Training
- Knowledge of Portland
- First Aid and CPR Certification

#### Training Requirements for Outdoor Trip Lead Instructor

- Wilderness First Aid or higher (Class offered at Pacific in May 2015)
- Outdoor Recreation Class (HPER 157) or test out (Offered Fall and Spring term)
- Specific technical training for activity you will be leading

#### Training requirements for Wilderness Trip Lead Instructor

- Wilderness First Responder (OL 107) or higher (Class offered at Pacific during winter two term)
- Outdoor Recreation Class (HPER157) or test out (Offered Fall and Spring term)
- Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Class (OL 207) (Offered Fall term)
- Technical training in your given activity

### Responsibilities

- Promote the well-being and safety of fellow Voyage leaders and student participants
- Embrace the mission of Pacific University and Orientation
- Abide by all standards and policies set by Pacific University and Orientation
- Attend all required trainings and tasks

This is a challenging and exciting position on Pacific University's Orientation team. The variety of Pacific Voyages offer student leaders a chance to stylize and develop their leadership skills. This volunteer position has many rewards. Student leaders get to develop advanced skills, as well as get the satisfaction of giving new students a unique experience as a means of transitioning to a successful life at Pacific.

