

Environmental Traveling Companions Youth LEAD Program Co-Field Instructor

Organization Description:

Since 1972 Environmental Traveling Companions (ETC) has been opening the beauty and challenge of wilderness adventures for people of all abilities. Every year, over 2,000 people with special needs join ETC to raft whitewater rivers, ski across alpine meadows, sea kayak the waters of the Golden Gate, and sleep beneath the open sky. ETC trips enable participants to access the wilderness, gain environmental awareness, and share in the adventure.

Program Description:

The Youth LEAD (Leadership, Environment, Adventure, Diversity) Program (YLP) trains diverse groups of high school students in environmental education, leadership and outdoor skills development. YLP 12-21-24 day courses include: a teambuilding ropes course experience, sea kayaking on San Francisco and Tomales Bays, whitewater rafting on the South Fork of the American River, backpacking, disability and diversity awareness training, and learning about watershed ecology by conducting a service project on an organic farm.

Program Dates: Part-time employment begins 1 week before the field program, depending on specific program needs. There will be an additional 3 work days post trip. A mandatory training date for all program instructors is to be determined.

July 19 – August 8 - Young Women’s Kayaking, Rafting, Farming and Backpacking Adventure

Job Responsibilities:

This Co-Field Instructor positions will be for an all women’s trip. The instructor will work with the Youth LEAD Program manager to deliver safe, educational, and enjoyable wilderness adventure trips. The Co-Field Instructor will oversee a group of 4-6 volunteer guides and instruct a group of 12-14 students. They will also provide program oversight of all YLP logistics. These logistics include: van driving, navigation, leading/teaching group games and initiatives, providing instruction in technical skill & people skill development, menu planning and food buying, coordinating guest speakers and farm staff, attending required staff meetings, writing student evaluations and completing other necessary paperwork, as needed. This position reports directly to the YLP manager.

Qualifications:

- Current Wilderness First Responder and CPR certification or higher
- Past employment as a lead instructor supervising field staff in backcountry situations.
- Experience working with diverse groups of inner-city youth and/or those with disabilities.
- Prior experience guiding Class III river trips for at least one summer*
- Multi-day backpacking experience
- Class B drivers license preferred

Salary: D.O.E.

Application deadline: Open Until Filled

To Apply: Please send resume and cover letter to:
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