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| Objective: | To obtain a challenging job that utilizes my skills in outdoor education, recreation and management and allows me to learn and grow in these outdoor fields while promoting a healthier natural environment. | | |
| Education: | National Outdoor Leadership School | | January 2011 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course: Teton Valley Winter Outdoor Educator • Outdoor Educator: 2 credits; Risk Assessment and Management and Decision Making: 2 credits • Course will cover avalanche assessment and rescue techniques; 16 days of backcountry telemark ski touring; construction of various types of snow shelters and environmental education techniques in harsh winter environment | | |
| | University of Maryland, College Park, MD | | September 2008-Present |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major: Natural Resource Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concentration: Environmental Education and Parks Management • Major Courses in Ecology, Physical Geology, Restoration Ecology, Wildlife Management, Environmental Philosophy, Environmental Education, Natural Resource Policy, etc. • Conducted field and lab research independently and with a team on “vertical wetland” plant communities and their applicability in green wall designs | | |
| | Frederick Community College, Frederick, MD | | January 2007-May 2008 |
| Work Experience: | Backcountry Permits Ranger; Student Conservation Association | | June 2009-September 2009 |
| | Grand Teton National Park www.sca.org www.nps.gov/grte | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided visitors with proper knowledge of trail/snow/route conditions in the backcountry to ensure a safe trip into the mountains • Processed the purchase of and handled money for boating permits for Jackson Lake and the Snake River • Performed extensive on-trail and off-trail backcountry patrols to provide assistance to any visitors in need and to gain further knowledge of the conditions in the backcountry to relay back to visitors obtaining permits • Staffed climbing ranger station during peak hours and SAR operations • Explored more of the backcountry than any other permits ranger had done so before according to supervisor of 10+ years during final evaluation | | |
| | Trip Leader; University of Maryland Outdoor Recreation Center | | September 2008 - Present |
| | College Park, MD www.orc.umd.edu | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trip leader as an individual and as part of a team for rock climbing, backpacking, mountain biking, and kayaking trips for groups of students of varying skill levels • Create original backpacking, hiking, and climbing trips and recruit new trip participants through active marketing • Instruct clinics on specific kayaking skills and construction of climbing anchors for groups of students • Provide information and resources to customers at the equipment rental desk and climbing wall | | |
| | Mountain Guide; Teamlink, Inc/Shenandoah Mountain Guides, | | June 2004 - Present |
| | Frederick, MD/Shenandoah National Park, VA www.teamlinkinc.com | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instruct groups in rock climbing, rock climbing anchor building, backpacking, hiking, kayaking and canoeing throughout VA, WV, MD, PA while giving mini-lessons on local geology and ecology of local area • Supervised group of Venture Scouts in creating several miles of new mountain bike trails from scratch and maintaining existing trails • Provide team building exercises and ropes courses for groups of all ages and backgrounds ranging from Eagle Scouts to large international corporations to children in social services programs • Program instructor for after-school programs offered by Teamlink in Frederick County Public Schools • Initiated Old Rag Mountain Steward program in Shenandoah National Park (See Community Activities below) | | |
| | Salesperson; The Trail House | | August 2007 - Present |
| | Frederick, MD www.trailhouse.com | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales/stocking/inventory at retail store providing outdoor recreational equipment, clothing and footwear • Provided customers with equipment and information on local hikes, climbing and mountain biking areas • Outfitted local Boy Scout troops for local backpacking expeditions and trips to Philmont | | |
| Certifications: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave No Trace Trainer • Wilderness First Responder w/ CPR • National Park Service Eastern High Angle Technical Rescue • Shenandoah National Park Field Team Search and Rescue | | |
| Relevant Volunteer Activities: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shenandoah National Park Search and Rescue, 2008-Present • Old Rag Mountain Steward, May 2008-Present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide Search and Rescue, first aid, resource protection education and preventative SAR services to park visitors on difficult mountain requiring the most SAR operations every year in Shenandoah National Park ○ Have significantly reduced the number of needed SAR operations on site and misuse of the resource by visitors ○ First responder for several large scale Search and Rescue operations ○ Train new volunteers in all of the above scenarios and procedures | | |