
Residential Programs Summer Instructor
Salary \$70 to \$80 per/day DOE (Room & Board provided)
Full Time: Seasonal Position June 4 – August 3, 2018
Sierra Nevada Journeys' Grizzly Creek Ranch Campus, Portola, California

About Us

Sierra Nevada Journeys (SNJ) is an educational non-profit dedicated to building critical thinking skills through outdoor science education and leadership development challenges. Youth outdoor science trips, summer camps, and other renter-user groups enjoy our state of the art facility at the Grizzly Creek Ranch (GCR) Campus in Portola, CA. The campus is situated among 1,500 acres of pristine Yellow Pine forest. Built in 2003, Grizzly Creek Ranch offers excellent program resources, including a challenge course, hiking trails, archery range, and pond. During the summer season, SNJ delivers both residential summer camp programs and community programs for special needs and leadership development. SNJ's traditional, week-long summer camp programs are designed with an educational and experiential focus for our resident campers, ages 8-17. Instructors live in houses rented by Sierra Nevada Journeys, in downtown Portola, CA, about 2 miles from campus.

Job Description

Instructors could be working two different types of programs throughout the summer at Sierra Nevada Journeys. First, they will work Summer Camp which includes supervising campers, sometimes overnight, as well as facilitating camp activities such as swimming, archery, challenge course, arts and crafts, large group games, and campfire skits. Second, instructors may work our leadership development community groups. This typically involves utilizing our challenge course to facilitate leadership growth and develop collaborative problem-solving skills.

Instructors are directly responsible for ensuring that attending campers' educational outcomes are met and that all campers have a positive experience. Instructors are supervised by the Program Manager and Program Director. Join a staff that is committed to constantly improving our outstanding programs and creating an excellent experience for kids!

For more information about Sierra Nevada Journeys please visit www.sierranevadajourneys.org

Please apply online: <https://sierranevada.campintouch.com/ui/forms/application/staff/App>

Areas of Responsibility

- Facilitate high quality summer programs (day and evening)
 - Facilitate the challenge course to achieve collaborative problem-solving goals
 - Be able to deliver programs effectively while working with community group adults and other instructors as needed
 - Provide overnight supervision to Sierra Nevada Journeys' resident summer campers
 - Lead meals and sing songs before meals
 - Clean cabins, inventory program supplies, and participate in debriefs after each program
 - Support campus operations as assigned (maintenance, food service and housekeeping)
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- Other duties as assigned
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Required Qualifications

- Minimum 21 years old
 - A passion for working with children and making a difference!
 - Ability to work irregular hours and days/nights in order to meet group needs
 - Leadership experience and/or experience working with kids
 - Ability to take initiative, work independently, and have a positive “can do” attitude
 - Ability to live and work positively with other staff members
 - Willingness to get outside of your comfort zone and try new things, such as being 30 feet off the ground on a challenge course
 - Ability to pass background check
 - Ability to lift up to 30 pounds and hike up to seven miles
 - Current CPR and First Aid certification, or willingness to obtain certification before start date
 - Willingness to obtain lifeguard certification (course conducted by Sierra Nevada Journeys)
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Compensation and Benefits

- Competitive Salary (depends on experience)
- Shared housing and most meals are provided
- Homebase for living, working, exploring, and recreating in the beautiful Sierra Valley
- Employment with an innovative company focused on improving outdoor education delivery
- Paid Training and professional development towards outdoor education and leadership



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