

Position: Naturalist Hiking Guides Location: Girdwood May 11 - September 25, 2020 Full and part time positions

Since 1995, Ascending Path provides eco-tourism day tour adventures, outdoor education and custom-tailored adventures for families, high profile clients, individual travelers, groups, ADA, local Alaskans and experienced adventurers, alike. AP guides naturalist Alpine Hikes at Alyeska, Nature Hikes and Crow Pass Hikes in Girdwood, and Iceberg Viewing Hikes at Spencer Whistle Stop via the Alaska Railroad. The Spencer lake is iceberg filled and a very unique work environment. Double-shifts during peak season are common.

**Responsibilities**: Appropriately prepare for, lead, and execute all non-glacier Hiking tours as described on our website. Industry standard guiding techniques are expected.

**Compensation**: Trip rate of \$60-\$120 depends on trip and experience, eligible for end of season performance based bonus, housing stipend (if needed), tips, flexible hours, and other perks related to the outdoor industry (prodeals, etc).

Minimum Qualifications:	Preferred Qualifications:
Previous Hiking Guiding/Teaching experience. Current Wilderness First Responder Cert. Current CPR card. Excellent Naturalist Interpretation & Identification skills/training of South-Central Alaska's Flora & Fauna, Alaskan & indigenous peoples History, Alaskan Geology & glaciology. Leave No Trace and Bear Safety knowledge. Sincere enthusiasm to share Alaska's wilderness. Attitude of environmental stewardship. Clean criminal history & driving record. Valid driver's license. Knowledge of hiking, camping gear and its safe handling. Own personal hiking/backpacking gear. Own smartphone. Immaculate punctuality. Ability to be flexible with dynamic logistics. Customer service experience. A humble, happy, fun, helpful and friendly disposition. Availability to work additional hours during peak operating season Commitment June, July, August.	<ul> <li>3+ years outdoor education experience.</li> <li>3+ years wilderness hiking guiding experience.</li> <li>Outdoor Education experience/Training.</li> <li>Glaciology knowledge.</li> <li>Metrology knowledge.</li> <li>Interest in office logistics.</li> <li>Able to problem solve vehicle issues.</li> <li>Bear Safety &amp; fire arms training a plus.</li> <li>Interests in technology and smartphones.</li> <li>Local tourism knowledge.</li> <li>Willingness to live in Girdwood for the summer.</li> <li>International travel experience.</li> <li>Bachelor's or advanced degree in a relevant field or equivalent experience.</li> <li>Experience driving 15 passenger vans.</li> <li>State of Alaska class "C" Commercial Driver License with a passenger endorsement (or equivalent). CDL.</li> <li>Full Season commitment.</li> </ul>

If you'd like to work with our amazing crew and help facilitate our guest's experience of the Alaskan wilderness, please email us your resume and cover letter: <u>ops@ascendingpath.com</u>