INTERN POSITION DESCRIPTION

PROGRAM PROGRAM: DeMarco Adventure Course, Thompson, CT
POSITION REPORTS TO: Ryan Gagne, Site Director
DESCRIPTION DONE BY: Ryan Gagne

POSITION TITLE: Guide/Facilitator Intern

Are you interested in spending the summer working with kids outdoors? If so then this internship is for you!

The DeMarco Adventure Course is a five acre therapeutic course that offers an opportunity for students to participate in a range of skill-building activities. Guides lead groups through a series of safe and structured therapeutic exercises aimed to building team cohesiveness, starting with ground level elements and building up to more challenging high ropes components as participant’s confidence and trust in themselves and one another increases.

Interns interested in this position will have the opportunity to work with a variety of participants while building/developing their low and high rope facilitation skills.

QUALIFICATIONS (Education and Experience)

- Be enrolled in a undergrad Program, either in Therapeutic Recreation, Outdoor Education, Adventure Education, Experiential leadership, or Physical Education
- Be consistent in attendance.
- Attend required training.
- Attend weekly staff meetings.
- Maintain and follow agency policies.
- Reliable transportation.
- Valid Driver’s License

General Duties and Responsibilities:

- Dress appropriately and be punctual.
- Keep a record of your service hours on the posted form at your program.
- Follow the agency’s Confidentiality Policy.
- Attend internal and external trainings as required.
- Well organized, self-motivated, enthusiastic, and mature individual
- Ability to create an experiential learning environment while teaching a variety of topics
- Creating a safe (physically and psychologically), supportive, non-judgmental atmosphere
- Ability to facilitate meaningful discussions and debriefs pertinent to participants goals and their performance as a group during activities
- Planning and coordinating the day to day activities which match up with the
daily goals and objectives of each group participating

- Attend workshops to development skill.
- Attend a site specific verification process.
- Proven technical skills in the set up of belay systems used at the Ropes Course
- CPR and First Aid Certified

**OTHER RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES**

All volunteers and interns complete an intake and orientation that includes:

Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) clearance, reference check, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) training, as well as the program’s place in that mission, including its philosophy, goals and general policies. We will arrange for all of these requirements.

**AGENCY SUMMARY:**

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