



# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

## **Instructor/Guide (Raft Guide) 2022**

Pay rate: \$15.25/ hour

Part-time work: 10-20 hours/week

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

In the fall of 1971, a group of UC Davis students organized and hosted a gathering of students from Northern California and Oregon to discuss how to put together an outdoor program. The result of this meeting was the formation of an organization called Outdoor Adventures.

Today, with over 1500 participants annually, OA offers more than 150 different classes and trips. This is all made possible by a diverse group of approximately 75 active guides, teaching assistants and student office staff. Additionally, to help coordinate these programs OA employs one full-time Director and four student managers.

### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Under the supervision of the Water Sports Student Manager and Career Staff, Raft Guides lead weekly whitewater rafting trips throughout Spring and Summer. Trips take place on the South Fork of the American River and generally are scheduled on Saturdays and Sundays. Guides are responsible for trip preparation, execution, cleanup, as well as driving 8 passenger vans to and from the river. No experience necessary, we will train the right person.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

- *Strong* organizational skills
- Excellent time-management skills
- Ability to work with little direct supervision and collaboratively with all managers
- *Strong* verbal and written communication skills
- Positive attitude and the ability to work well a diverse group of people
- Proven ability to follow-through
- Experience teaching or working in a leadership role
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs unassisted
- Valid CA Drivers License
- Able to work 10-20 hours per week and will be available to work at least 1 summer session.

### **REQUIRED TRAININGS/ CERTIFICATIONS**

- All Raft Guides for Outdoor Adventures must be able to attend ALL aspects of our guide training (unless they have 3 years previous experience). Guide training dates are as follows:
  - o Classroom Sessions - February 23rd, March 2nd 6:30pm - 9:00pm
  - o Optional field demonstration - March 12th 8am to 4pm
  - o Field Instruction - March 19-26
- Wilderness First Aid - all Outdoor Adventures guides must obtain Wilderness First Aid training prior to their first trip. This training is provided by Outdoor Adventures.
- Swift Water Rescue - Swift Water Rescue certification required for all Outdoor Adventures Raft Guides. This certification is provided during the Field Instruction element of guide training.
- Additional training days as necessary: It is common for new guides to need additional training after guide school. New trainees can attend any trip as an Assistant Guide to gain more experience until they feel they are able to pass a skills test. Only after the skills test has been completed can a new trainee sign up to work trips.

**PREFERRED START/END DATES**

Trips start April 9th and end in late October. Guide staff must be available to work at least 2 trips in the Spring and 2 trips in the Summer.

**APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DEADLINE**

Applications open January 5th at 8am and close January 31st at 8am.

Employment Application can be found here: <https://forms.gle/e6JzrSn1LiRnpdDf6>

**SELECTION PROCESS**

All qualified applicants must participate in an interview process.