

2020 Science Educator Position

Alaska Geographic at the Murie Science and Learning Center
Denali National Park & Preserve



If you enjoy having the wilderness as your classroom and can create meaningful connections for visitors to Denali's amazing ecosystems, Alaska Geographic is looking for you!

Alaska Geographic partners with the National Park Service to offer education programs and visitor services through the Murie Science and Learning Center in Denali National Park and Preserve. Denali is a six million acre wilderness recognized primarily for its large mammals. Denali also hosts an incredible diversity of subarctic plants and migratory birds, as well as unique geologic formations, glacial features, and North America's highest peak, Denali. The spectacular mountain scenery and wildlife viewing opportunities draw thousands of visitors each summer.

The Murie Science and Learning Center provides a stimulating and nurturing environment that is dedicated to introducing visitors to Denali's fascinating and unique ecosystems. Alaska Geographic is currently seeking experienced educators for a summer of learning, exploration, sharing and fun. *The primary responsibility of instructional staff will be the delivery of informative and engaging science-based programs that will leave visitors with a lasting connection to Denali and an appreciation of scientific research in the wilderness.*

Primary Responsibilities:

- Deliver high quality interpretive presentations to tour groups visiting Denali including bus excursions, dinner presentations, interpretive talks, and other custom education programs.
- Assist with equipment maintenance, facility projects, and program support/development as assigned.
- Provide quality customer service while staffing MSLC exhibit area or other park visitor center.
- Depending on experience and qualifications, may work as a guide on multi-day field courses or as an instructor on multi-day youth programs.

Desired Qualifications Include:

- Naturalist or science/environmental education experience with adults, families, and youth.
- Enthusiasm for and experience in working with high school age participants.
- Excellent public presentation skills.
- Proven group management skills in an outdoor setting.
- Minimum of Basic First Aid and CPR certifications. Wilderness First Aid or Responder preferred.
- Ability to work well with a diverse schedule and a high degree of responsibility.
- Positive and upbeat attitude in a fast paced work environment with a demanding schedule.
- Knowledge of wildlife research and natural history of the subarctic.
- Experience with computers and common office software programs.
- Must have valid driver's license with 5 years driving experience and good driving record.
- Must be legally authorized to work in the U.S. (we do not sponsor employment visas)

Benefits:

- Work with a dynamic team dedicated to science and education.
- Learn from and work with researchers in Denali.
- Live, work, learn, and play in a spectacular wilderness setting!
- Long weekends to explore the wilderness when program loads are light.
- Competitive pay.
- On-campus housing may be available.

The season begins in early May and ends early September. Part time and full time positions available. We prefer staff that can commit to the entire season, but will consider shorter durations. To learn more about our programs and operation, visit our websites at www.akgeo.org and www.nps.gov/rlc/murie/index.htm.

To Apply

Email a letter of interest, a resume, and contact information for 3 references to mssljobs@alaskageographic.org
Application deadline is January 12, 2020.