

University Recreation and Sport Facilities

Eagle View Challenge Ropes Course Staff

Position Title:

Student Ropes Course Facilitator

Position Description:

Student Ropes Course Facilitators exist to provide students, faculty, and staff of the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, community members and corporate groups with a setting where they may participate in a recreational activity in a structured and relaxed environment. The first priority of the Climbing Wall Instructor is to provide safe access to the Eagle View Challenge Ropes Course for all participants.

Primary Responsibilities:

1. Discuss and establish group goals prior to arrival.
2. Monitor the behavior and activity of participants, intervening when necessary.
3. Encourage participation while honoring each participant's right to choose.
4. Encourage a positive attitude among participants.
5. Each instructor must facilitate a minimum of 50 hours per year. Sessions will typically take place on weekends and during the week. Facilitators **must** be available during either times throughout the year, including summer.

Qualifications:

The instructors will be working the majority of the time in a physically demanding environment, requiring both strength and cardiovascular endurance. Consequently, trainers need to be in excellent physical health and must meet the following criteria:

1. Climb a 15-foot ladder with ease and quickness.
2. Have normal vision and hearing.
3. Arm and leg strength necessary for belay.
4. Balance ability for moderate challenges.
5. Ability to verbally communicate.
6. Respect for heights.

Certification:

ABEE Inc. Level I Full Certification Requirements (40 hours)

1. Attend scheduled classes for full certification low/high ropes training
2. Log all training and facilitation hours in an employee portfolio.
3. Knowledge of ALL workings of the course.
4. Knowledge of ALL LOP'S (Local Operating Procedures)
5. Knowledge of all systems and procedures necessary to set up and lead participating individuals through the course.
6. Knot craft.
7. Spotting and belaying techniques.
8. Factual knowledge of the ropes course industry an ACCT, equipment, equipment wear and inspections.
9. Documentation procedures.
10. Philosophy of Adventure Education.
11. Achieve a score of 80% on the written examination.
12. Satisfactory proficiency on all technical skills.
13. Current CPR / AED certification.
14. Current First Aid certification.

Contractual requirements to maintain employment:

1. Attend scheduled in-services during the year.
2. Attend an annual recertification workshop.
3. Satisfactory proficiency on all technical skills.
4. Provide a portfolio showing a minimum of 50 hours of practitioner hours in the preceding year.
5. Criminal Background Check will be required.

Additional Information and Form Submission:

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