

Outdoor Leadership
Bachelor of Science Degree

Occupations

- **Recreational Therapists \$45,520 Bachelor's Degree**
Plan, direct, or coordinate medically-approved recreation programs for patients in hospitals, nursing homes, or other institutions. Activities include sports, trips, dramatics, social activities, and arts and crafts. May assess a patient condition and recommend appropriate recreational activity.

- **Adventure Therapist \$34,780 Bachelor' Degree**
A lot of adventure therapy programs cater to troubled youth. So most of them take place during the summer when school is out. But the number of programs running year-round is increasing. Adventure therapists also travel a lot in their work.

- **Outdoor Activity Guide \$41,000 Bachelor's Degree**
The Outdoor Adventure Guide will be required to ensure safety, to elicit teachable moments, to encourage and inspire, and to be a leader who takes the learning process a step beyond to a place of discovery and growth. Assist in inspections of all high and low ropes course elements and equipment, and assist in maintaining all hiking, mountain biking, and climbing equipment. The Outdoor Adventure Guide (OAG) will be required to be a team leader, assist in training and team development, curriculum development, handle/report all guest services issues and decision making in the absence of the OAM/Supervisor.

- **Behavioral Health Professional \$49,000 Bachelor's Degree**
Behavioral health technicians observe patients, listen to their concerns, record their observations and report to mental health professionals about any unusual behavior. They can check vital signs such as temperature and heart rate; give medication under the direction of medical staff; and help with daily living activities such as eating, bathing and grooming. When a patient's mood or behavior changes, a technician must be able to assess whether it is positive, negative or potentially dangerous. He takes steps to modify the patient's actions or alerts medical professionals.

- **Youth Counselor \$43,700 Bachelor's Degree**
Generally, they supervise and interact with children or teenagers, assisting them in resolving problems and ensuring their physical and emotional needs are being met. Youth counselors may specialize in a mental health area such as childhood depression, abuse or ADHD. Other youth counselors specialize in working with people with disabilities, and substance abuse youth counselors help youngsters overcome addiction issues.

- **Medical Interpreter \$74,000 Bachelor's Degree**
 Convert information from one spoken language into another—or, in the case of sign language interpreters, between spoken language and sign language. The goal of an interpreter is to have people hear the interpretation as if it were the original. Interpreters must usually be fluent speakers or signers of both languages, because they communicate back and forth among the people who do not share a common language.
- **Interpretive Park Ranger \$56,000 Bachelor's Degree**
 Cultural park rangers, through interpretation, help visitors understand and gain an appreciation, which therefore advances a park's mission of protection. In other words, interpretation allows visitors to see the relevance in the message and importance of the parks they visit. This may include providing interpretive services for: Historic sites, Historic monuments, wildlife refuges, environmental havens, archeologically significant sites, and recreational areas
- **Historic Interpreter \$41,789 Bachelor's Degree**
 Historical interpreters, also called historical actors or character speakers, recreate history by dressing and acting like specific historical figures, such as Abraham Lincoln, or general period characters, such as a Civil War soldier. They can work in museums, parks, battlefield recreation sites and other settings. There are generally no education requirements to become a historical interpreter, and most employers provide on-the-job training. Optional professional certification is available and may boost employment opportunities
- **Outdoor Education Teacher \$35,000 Bachelor's Degree**
 Under general direction provides instructional leadership and learning activities in environmental and conservation education; assists with the pre and post-session planning; assists in the planning and activities of in-session training programs; uses effective assessment devices for all students and works with visiting staff, parents and chaperones.
- **Seasonal Park Naturalist \$50,211 Bachelor's Degree**
 Seasonal staff plan and present interpretive programs ranging from hikes and talks to crafts and demonstrations for property visitors. Positions also staff and maintain the park interpretive center and participate in resource management projects. Caretaking of the Nature Center's animals involves handling and feeding its reptiles and amphibians. The full-time interpreter provides assistance, supervision, evaluation and training.
- **Ecologist \$78,970 Bachelor's Degree**
 Common work activities across roles may include: conducting field surveys to collect information about the numbers and distribution of organisms; taxonomy - classifying organisms; applying sampling strategies and employing a range of habitat survey techniques, such as Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Global Positioning Systems (GPS), aerial photography, records and maps; carrying out environmental impact

assessments; analyzing and interpreting data, using specialist software programs; writing reports and issuing recommendations; liaising with and advising site managers, engineers, planners and others associated with a survey; carrying out research; undertaking teaching in schools or in field centers; keeping up to date with new environmental policies and legislation.

- **Cell Biologist Researcher \$91,000 Master's or Doctorate Degree**

While the career options available to cellular biologists vary greatly, they typically focus on health-related functions, such as those related to animals, plants or human beings, or life-related activities in a variety of living systems or organisms. These objectives can be accomplished in many industries, including agriculture or academia. Cellular biology can concentrate on a number of specialties, such as biotechnology, nuclear energy, environmental pollution or medical sciences, in private, nonprofit and governmental sectors.

- **Backpacking Guides \$54,750 Bachelor's Degree**

Outdoor guides lead groups on recreational outing activities. They often specialize in their own areas of interest, organizing hunting and fishing expeditions or photographic and nature-study trips. Most guides work freelance and set their own prices. They attract customers by establishing a good reputation. The best guides are familiar with the territory in which they work and know the habits of the wildlife in that area. Most outdoor guides are expert hunters and fishers as well.

- **Summer Camp Directors \$39,996 Bachelor's Degree**

Camp Directors must have extensive experience managing staff and working in youth-based programs. Camp Directors must be over the age of 21 and typically possess a degree within the field of Education, Child Psychology, Social Work, or an equivalent field. The Camp Director position requires participation in hiring staff, communicating with partnering organizations, and attending training sessions during the months of January - June, as well as facilitating four days of all-staff orientation and training before camp begins.

- **Children's Ministry Director \$34,000 Bachelor's Degree** The Children's Pastor/Director works closely with the Family Ministries Pastor and is responsible for the implementation and development of programming for the spiritual formation of children and equipping parents to fulfill their calling as the primary spiritual leaders of their kids.

- **National/State Park Interpreter \$41,60 Bachelor's Degree**

Interpreters are the employees responsible for planning, publicizing, and presenting the fun, interactive, and educational programs for which Arkansas State Parks are known. Activities vary by site, but if your family has ever taken a guided hike, lake cruise, kayak tour, attended an evening owl prowl, amphitheater talk, or campfire...or encountered a

living history character, nature craft workshop, or outdoor skills demonstration, chances are good it was the park interpreter who served as your leader and guide.

- **Youth At-Risk Program Teacher/Counselor**

The Youth Counselor (Teacher Counselor) is the heart and soul of our residential treatment programs. The counselor's main duties are: Use creativity and counseling skills, teach the young people necessary life skills, provide for their physical daily care, help design and implement each young person's treatment plan, help improve the young person's behavior

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