



# Seattle University Outdoor Adventure & Recreation Program

## Participant Expectations

Our trip participants are what make the whole program possible and so fun! We are committed to providing you with enjoyable experiences that emphasize safety, skill development, and an inclusive, non-competitive experience. Our Trip Leaders do their part to set the tone for the outing and reduce/manage safety risks, but your contribution to the trip is critical. Please read on to be informed about what is both expected from you and established for your benefit.

## Requirements

- Sign up within the posted registration timeline.
- Be sure to check the trip description and have the necessary skills or previous experience needed to safely participate in the activities.
- Be prepared with gear appropriate for the type of activity in which you are participating.
- Show up...and be on time while you are at it!

## Additional Expectations

- Sense of adventure.
- Be prepared to be an active participant in contributing to the group's success, safety, and building of an inclusive community experience.
- Read and adhere to the code of conduct listed below.

## Perks of Involvement

- Outdoor exploration and experience.
- Being part of SU's outdoor community.
- Less stress, more fun and fresh air, and overall happy people!

## Participant's Rights

- Participants must be allowed to thoroughly read the Acknowledgement of Risk prior to signing the form, registering for and participating in any trip or adventure-based outing so that they can make an informed decision to participate.
- Right to cancel trip participation and receive a full refund up to 72 hours prior to trip departure, unless specific exceptions are stated.
- Be provided with group equipment that is in good working order, as well as personal equipment needs when arranged through the Trip Lead or OAR Program prior to departure.
- Be provided with clear instruction while learning wilderness skills and be provided with constructive input.
- Participants will be treated with respect, dignity, and concern by the Trip Lead(s) and encouraged to be a part of an inclusive, non-competitive community.

## Code of Conduct

- Every participant must read, understand and complete the Acknowledgement of Risk prior to participating in any trip or adventure-based outing.
- Respect other participants and the Trip Lead(s), and make a point to build inclusive community.
- Provide your own equipment unless otherwise arranged through the Trip Lead or OAR Program.
- Treat all OAR gear/equipment with care and respect so that others may use the gear in the future. No equipment belonging to Seattle University or the OAR program should be purposefully damaged or abandoned. Any damages accrued because of your misuse will cause repair or replacement charges to be assigned to your account.
- All accidents, damaged equipment, or safety concerns must be reported to your Trip Lead(s) or SU staff immediately.
- Do not bring alcohol or non-prescribed drugs or participate in any trips/events under the influence of such substances. There are inherent safety concerns with substance abuse while on adventure programs. Moreover, substance use does not create an inclusive community environment.
- Any participant may be asked by the Trip Lead(s) to adjust, alter, or discontinue any activity or behavior judged to be inappropriate, disruptive, or hazardous.
- Trip Leads have the right and the responsibility to deny access or expel any individuals whom they consider a hazard to themselves or to others.
- Additional rules and policies specific to trips/events will be explicitly expressed and imposed as needed.