WHITMAN COLLEGE OUTDOOR PROGRAM

MISSION STATEMENT

The Outdoor Program is committed to providing equitable access for all to the outdoors. The OP fosters personal growth, facilitates learning, and creates recreational opportunities through skills and risk management training, leadership development, and environmentally sound trips in a supportive community.

OUTDOOR PROGRAM RENTAL SHOP

- 10-12 student employees/semester
- Mon-Th: 11-2 & 4-6 PM • Fri: 11:30-5 PM

- Rental equipment available for all activity areas
- Retail merchandise
- OP trip registration, information, and support
- Maps, guidebooks, and recreation information
- Bike shop and service (seasonal)
- Ski tuning and adjustments (seasonal)

TRAINING COURSES & CLINICS

- First Aid: WFA, WFR, WFR-Recertification
- Climbing: CWI, SPI
- ACA Whitewater Kayak Instructor
- Swiftwater Rescue Technician
- Avalanche Safety (Level 1 & 2)
- Pathways Leadership Program Support
- Cultural Awareness Trainings

CLIMBING CENTER

- 35 student employees/semester
- Mon-Th: 4-10 PM • Fri-Sun: 2-6 PM
- Educational/skill clinics (2-4/mo.)
- Arranged events: clubs, teams, departments, organizations
- Climbing Outreach Coordinator

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

- Fall 2021 Estimates
- Participants: 200-300+
- Student Trip Leaders*: 47-64
- Trips: 30-40
- Trip Length: 2-5 days
- *volunteer

OUTREACH COORDINATORS (2-3)
- Promote diversity, equity, and inclusion by facilitating trainings for trip leaders
- Establish cross-campus partnerships

SSRA COURSES

- 24 student instructors/semester

Annual Course Offerings:
- Beginning Climbing*(14)
- Intermediate Climbing*(6)
- Advanced: Single Pitch Instructor*** (0-1)
- Climbing Movement & Technique* (1)
- Climbing Training & Route Setting* (2)
- Improvised Rock Rescue* (0-1)
- Climbing Wall Instructor* (1-2)
- Glacier Mountaineering** (0-1)
- Wilderness Expeditioning* (1)
- Beginning Kayaking* (4)
- Intermediate Kayaking* (1)
- Sea Kayak Guide Leadership** (1)
- River Guide Leadership** (1)
- Outdoor Leadership** (1)
- Beginning Canoeing (1)
- Mountain Biking* (1)
- Wilderness First Responder** (3)

*1 cr. **2 cr. ***3 cr.

NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID FOR SSRA COURSES

- All activity courses via Dean of Students office
- Leadership courses through Leadership Education Advancement Fund (LEAF)

CLUBS & EVENTS

- Clubs: Climbing, Whitewater, Backcountry Ski
- Climbing Team (club sport)
- Climbing Comps: Sweet Onion Crank, Rocks & Burgers
- Open Kayak (2/week)
- Visiting speakers, authors, athletes
- Film Festivals: Banff, Reel Rock, Backcountry, No Man’s Land

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