

TRINITY COLLEGE POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Quest Logistics/Climbing Specialist

Supervisors: Kevin Johnson, Quest Director

GENERAL OVERVIEW:

The Quest program started at Trinity College in 2004 and is a Leadership development program for all the students involved. Over the past 15 years, Quest has trained over 140 leaders to welcome a yearly average of 100 incoming first-years to Trinity College. Quest Logistics/Climbing Specialists will take part in the following aspects of the program:

Logistics/Climbing Specialists will begin their training in April with an introduction to the team and its responsibilities, including initial familiarization with Quest equipment, how and what to pack for a Quest trip and rock climbing and rappelling. During May training, candidates will work with peers and supervisors to gain the skills necessary to successfully facilitate the Day 1 responsibilities of gear issue, how to be a successful logistics liaison for your groups, and the rock climbing and rappelling portion of Quest. Logistics/Climbing Specialists will invest themselves in this process of self-growth as they take part in group and individual lessons, activities, and experiences aimed at honing their leadership, organizational, rock climbing and wilderness skills.

We will focus on the following:

- Quest philosophy and the goals of the program
- Quest food and equipment preparation on campus
- Rock climbing and rappelling skills
- Training for driving Trinity College 12 passenger and 7 passenger vehicles
- Risk management and safety protocols
- Assistance in dealing with challenging and emergency situations
- Effective communication with other members of the group and other members of the Quest leadership team
- Giving and receiving feedback
- Tools for debriefing, developing, and maintaining relationships with peers and instructors

Logistics/Climbing Specialists will return to campus in early-August, before the instructors for Quest program prep and August training. They are expected to prepare all food and equipment for Quest. In the field, they will facilitate the rock climbing and rappelling portions of Quest and may be asked to assist with unexpected situations if they arise.

TIME COMMITMENT:

Logistics/Climbing Specialists MUST be able to attend:

- **April prep and packing** Logistical packing on the evenings of (April 16th, 23rd, 30th)
- **WFA and CPR** (May 9th & 10th) for those who need it
- **May Training** (May 11th – 15th)
- **May Training clean-up** (May 16th)
- **Logistical Preparations** (August 10th – 12th)
- **Quest Instructor Review** led by trainers (August 13th-17th)
- **Quest Appreciation Dinner** (August 17th)
- **Quest Program on the AT** (August 21st - September 2nd)
- **Debrief Day** (September 3rd)
- **Quest Equipment & Food clean up** (September 3rd - 4th)

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING IS EXPECTED OF ALL QUEST LOGISTICS/CLIMBING SPECIALISTS:

- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail
- Strong communication and listening skills
- Ability to work effectively in a team
- Ability to drive a College vehicle (preferred)
- Physical fitness
- Prior to May training, read the “Quest Logistics Handbook”
- Uphold the Quest compass at all times

BENEFITS

- \$750 Stipend for the entire completion of training, May, and August trips
- Access to pro. purchase accounts for outdoor gear (reduced costs)
- All food and lodging expenses in May and August will be paid for. You will need to provide your own personal gear: clothing, boots, backpack, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, and water bottles.
- .5 College Course credit option, if you have not received credit for Quest previously (will require an additional reading, one group seminar discussion, and a written paper at the end of Quest)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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