

# OUTDOOR PURSUITS INSTRUCTOR

A rewarding, flexible, outdoors career choice

## Are YOU...?

- ✓ fit and healthy with masses of stamina?
- ✓ a safety-conscious, superb communicator?
- ✓ patient and committed?
- ✓ cool in a crisis?

## Do YOU love...?

- ✓ teaching other people?
- ✓ working both in a team and on your own?
- ✓ travelling and teaching in different cultures?
- ✓ skiing or snowboarding or surfing or canoeing or wakeboarding or coasteering or hundreds of other activities?

...then this **COULD BE YOU!**

Learn another **LANGUAGE**  
to have adventures  
anywhere in the world



## How?

### Think about:

- ✓ Getting as much experience as you can in the speciality you want to go into – do a course to learn it yourself first and then go on to do an instructor's course
- ✓ Studying for a degree in Sports Science which may touch on aspects of your particular activity. To get onto a course, most universities ask for GCSEs in Maths and a Science and 2 good A Levels including a Science
- ✓ Studying for a teaching qualification (not essential in most cases but good experience on the CV)
- ✓ Taking a gap year abroad and e.g. doing a ski season to train in your activity - this will also help to improve your language skills

### Think Languages:

*"A career in snow-sports, for example, is not only fun and healthy but offers amazing travel opportunities all over the world. There is no doubt that having a second language and even a third language will increase your opportunities to travel and teach snow-sports not just in the Alps but all over the world."*

- Gareth Roberts, Chairman of the British Association of Snow-sports Instructors (BASi)

## Want to know more?

### Check these out:

#### Advice on becoming an outdoor pursuits instructor –

- [www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/browse-sector/leisure-sport-and-tourism](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/browse-sector/leisure-sport-and-tourism)
- Institute of Outdoor Learning: [www.outdoor-learning.org/](http://www.outdoor-learning.org/)

#### Advice on planning a gap year –

- Travel Aware Campaign: [www.travelaware.campaign.gov.uk](http://www.travelaware.campaign.gov.uk)
- [www.globalgraduates.com](http://www.globalgraduates.com)

#### Advice on the next step –

- [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)
- [www.careerswales.com](http://www.careerswales.com)

#### Advice on languages –

- [www.routesintolanguagescymru.co.uk/](http://www.routesintolanguagescymru.co.uk/)
- [www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk](http://www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk)
- [www.europa.eu/languages](http://www.europa.eu/languages)
- [www.hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/languages-literacy-and-communication](http://www.hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/languages-literacy-and-communication)
- [www.porth.ac.uk/en/collection/botwm-y-byd](http://www.porth.ac.uk/en/collection/botwm-y-byd)
- <https://wales.britishcouncil.org/en>

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