

BIKE GUIDE TRAINING



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The W.A.S Bike Guide Training Program teaches students a range of skills to prepare them for becoming a bike guide.

Starting with four hands-on courses, students will learn the fundamentals to bike guiding as well as wilderness safety and on-trail mechanic techniques. Following this, the students will be placed in a cooperative course where they will put their skills learned through the program to work in a “real world” situation.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Minimum 18 years old, proficiency in English.

Additional physical requirements are necessary for this course. Visit our website for details.

PROGRAM HOURS

1. Wilderness First Responder (WFR)	80 Hours
2. Instructor Level 1	22.5 Hours
3. Trail Mechanics	22.5 Hours
4. Guiding Clients	22.5 Hours
5. Co-Op	50 Hours

PROGRAM COSTS

Tuition Fee	\$5,150
Application Fee	\$125
Lab Supplies	\$75

PROGRAM DETAILS

Start Date
April 2017

Graduation Date
July 2018

Length of Study
4 months

Credits
12

Credential
Certificate

APPLICATION PROCESS SUMMARY

- Complete online application on W.A.S website
 - Attach a copy of picture ID/passport with date of birth & address
 - Attach a copy of English certificate and resume
 - Attach a copy of skiing skills resume
- Receive program approval from W.A.S and pay the application fee & program deposit
- Receive your Letter of Acceptance from W.A.S
- Apply for your study and work permit online through the CIC website; WAS recommends using an immigration expert (Perez McKenzie Immigration Services or CRI – Canadian Resort Immigration)

CANADIAN (CIC) STUDY PERMIT SUMMARY

- Foreign Students accepted into this program must apply for a one year study permit
- Foreign Students accepted into this program must apply for a co-op work permit (work experience is part of the curriculum and therefore foreign students who wish to participate in a Co-op must apply for a work permit as well as a study permit)
- A standard study permit allows work off campus up to 20 hours per week during regular academic sessions and work full-time during scheduled breaks

LENGTH OF STAY

Students should expect to spend approximately five months in Whistler/ Squamish to complete the program.

COURSE SCHEDULING

The exact dates and times of upcoming courses can be found on the W.A.S website. Students can expect course scheduling to vary throughout the year. Some courses will run back to back while others include a scheduled break of up to 90 days or more.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Students are expected to provide their own equipment for certain courses. W.A.S recommends students research and understand the equipment costs related to the activities within the courses. Please visit our website for more details.

PAYMENT BREAKDOWN

Prior to a Letter of Acceptance being issued, a \$125 application fee and \$1,750 program deposit is required. The program deposit is held and used towards the final tuition payment. Please review the W.A.S payment policy.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Online credit card payment
- Pay with cash or cheque at the school
- Pay with an Online E-transfer - please send to "info@whistleradventureschool.com"
- Pay via a bank deposit - please contact the administrator for details

HOUSING

W.A.S can provide shared housing to enrolled students on a month by month basis. Students are required to complete the housing application on the W.A.S website.

WORK

Students may seek employment based on their study permit work allowance (R186F). Students will need a Canadian Social Insurance Number (SIN) before applying for jobs. Study and work permits expire upon graduation or withdrawal from W.A.S as per CIC rules.

POST-GRADUATION WORK PERMIT

Graduation from any W.A.S program does not qualify you for a Post-Graduation Work Permit. Eligibility is assessed by CIC on a case by case basis. W.A.S will provide successfully graduating students with transcripts and certificates. W.A.S recommends all students consult an immigration expert to determine the best pathway to achieve CIC permits.