

Title: Hut Crew

Supervisor: Huts Master

About Maine Huts & Trails

Maine Huts & Trails, a non-profit, operates an acclaimed backcountry recreation corridor among the mountains western Maine, with 80 miles of free, public backcountry trails, and provides opportunities for recreation including groomed hut-to-hut skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, paddling, and mountain biking. Along the trail MH&T maintains four award-winning and accessible eco-lodges that have earned a widespread reputation for their healthy, locally sourced meals. In its recent past the organization has welcomed tens of thousands of visitors to Maine's western mountains, forests, and waters inspiring lasting reverence for the region while contributing to the local economy.

Position Summary

Hut crew are responsible for providing a welcoming, friendly, and clean environment for overnight guests and day visitors at Maine Huts & Trails' backcountry huts. Hut crew undertake a variety of responsibilities on a rotational basis, including front desk, food preparation, housekeeping and custodial duties, and assisting with operation and periodic maintenance of green energy systems.

Successful applicants will have a proven commitment to customer service, the ability to work as part of a team, and the ability to maintain high standards in an isolated setting. Food service, hospitality, or related experience is preferred. This position is a unique opportunity for someone interested in recreational or outdoor hospitality, green building design and operation, conservation education, or similar fields.

Responsibilities

- **Customer service**: welcoming guests and visitors and providing information
- Cooking: preparing and serving three hearty meals a day for up to 48 guests
- Housekeeping: cleaning and sanitizing food service and dining areas, washing dishes, sweeping, mopping, washing windows, and cleaning restrooms
- **Retail sales**: store, maintaining accurate retail sales records and inventories
- **Operation and maintenance of facility**: including solar array, propane generator, hydro generator, battery bank, wood boiler, composting toilets
- Provisioning: conducting scheduled inventories of food, supplies and retail, loading and unloading supplies, and properly storing items

- **Stewardship**: Implementing energy conservation and environmentally sound practices in daily operations. Educating guests to promote outdoor ethics
- Other related duties as required

Qualifications

- Prior experience in hospitality, food service, or facility maintenance.
- Exceptional customer service skills and a friendly, outgoing manner.
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to work as part of a team.
- Ability to perform work with minimal supervision and to work well under pressure.
- Enthusiasm for living in a remote wilderness setting.
- Interest in outdoor recreation, especially hiking, biking, paddling, skiing and snowshoeing
- ServSafe certification or other food handling certificate preferred
- CPR/First Aid certification desirable, Wilderness First Aid preferred
- Physical abilities required: ability to stand, sit, bend at waist, lift and carry up to 50 pounds. All hut staff must be willing and able to ski or hike to the hut there is no vehicle access.
- Excellent spoken English

Dates

Winter Season: Mid December - End of March

Priority will be given to qualified candidates able to work the full season.

Schedule

Hut staff work 40-50 hours per week. The day to- day work schedule is determined by Hut Masters, with a variety of morning, mid-day, and evening shifts.

Compensation and benefits

Hut staff are paid competitive hourly wages. Room and board are provided for the season.