



Travel and Logistics
Alumni Gannett Peak Climb

July 28 – August 7, 2008

Course Start Location and Arrival/Departure Dates

Starting Location: Noble Hotel (NOLS dorm)

288MainStreet (corner of Third and Main St.)

Lander, WY 82520

Arrival Date: No later than the day before the trip starting date
Departure Date: No sooner than the morning after the trip ending date
There will be an orientation meeting in the hotel at approximately 6pm the evening before your trip start date. This meeting gives you an opportunity to get acquainted with your instructors and fellow expedition members, as well as to review the trip route and schedule.

The trip wrap up late in the evening on the noted ending date. You should plan to leave Lander no sooner than the following day. Do not make travel plans that will require you to arrive late or to leave early.

Making Travel Arrangements

Listen to the locals! We have found that our local travel agents excel at getting folks from the big cities (and the small ones) to our little burg. Your travel agent in Boston may be great at getting you to Jamaica, but Wyoming is another world. We recommend you contact Noble Travel (1-800-332-4882) or email nobletravel@wyoming.com; they stay abreast of all the latest news on travel to the area. Additionally, Noble Travel and United Airlines have an arrangement to offer discounted rates for participants coming into Riverton.

We recommend that you make your travel plans as soon as possible to avoid complications. You should consider purchasing tickets that are refundable or changeable in case unforeseen events create changes in your plans. The nearest commercial airport is in Riverton, Wyoming which is 30 minutes from Lander. It is serviced daily by Great Lakes Aviation (a United Express feeder) from Denver, Colorado. You must arrange for shuttle service to get from the Riverton airport to Lander (See below.) Airlines often overbook their flights to Riverton. To be sure you don't get bumped, allow plenty of time between your connections in Denver. Get to the gate early to check in. If you have a confirmed reservation and are on time, you deserve a seat on the flight. You may need to be assertive to get that seat. There are only a few flights to and from Riverton daily, so if you get bumped you could miss your trip or your return flight.

You should take the following precautions with your luggage to ensure its timely arrival:

- Carry essential items onto the plane with you, including prescription medications.
- Check your luggage all the way through to your destination, especially if you are changing planes en route.

- Retain your luggage claim stubs. These are important tools for tracking any missing luggage. Upon your arrival in Lander, promptly inform our dorm desk clerk if you are missing luggage.

Shuttle Service

Shuttle service in southwestern Wyoming and the surrounding areas is provided by Wind River Transit Authority (WRTA). You can reach WRTA in the following ways, even for after hours travel problems: phone (800) 439-7118 or 307-856-7118; fax:

307-856-8724.

WRTA shuttle rates for one way/round trip to Lander:

Riverton airport -- \$20 / \$40

Jackson, WY airport -- \$100 / \$200

Casper, WY airport--\$100 / \$200

Please inform WRTA if any changes in your travel plans occur after your initial arrangements have been made.

If Delayed

If your arrival in Lander is delayed because of weather or other reasons, and you are not going to be able to make the orientation meeting, please call the NOLS Alumni office at 800-332-4280. From 5:00 pm until midnight any night, please call (307) 335- 2265 and leave a message with the dorm desk clerk. The dorm closes at midnight. If you will arrive between midnight and 8:00 am, call well before midnight to get instructions on how to get into the dorm after hours.

Accommodations

Accommodations are dormitory style and are for NOLS students/participants and staff only. Rooms will be available at the NOLS dorm (the historic Noble Hotel, built in 1918) 1 or 2 days prior to your trip start. The dorm is located at the corner of Third and Main Streets in Lander, with entry on Third Street. The NOLS dorm desk clerk is available from 5:00 pm until 12:00 midnight on weekdays, and 8:00 am until midnight on weekends by dialing direct to (307) 335-2265. All messages should be directed to this phone number. If the desk clerk is unavailable, you will have the option to leave a voice mail message.

There is no charge for the night before your trip begins or for the final night of the trip. Please do not call to reserve a spot for these dates, as we will be expecting you. Reservations are not necessary, unless you plan to arrive EARLIER than the day prior to your trip, in which case you will need to contact the dorm manager or the Alumni Office for confirmation. Additional nights are \$15 per person per night, payable upon arrival. Other accommodations are available in Lander, and you are welcome to make reservations for additional nights at any number of motels or bed and breakfast inns. Please contact the Lander Chamber of Commerce (307) 332-3892
Lander.TRAV.073/15/07

Hotels

The Pronghorn 307-332-3940

Best Western 307-332-2847

Bed and Breakfasts

The Blue Spruce Inn 307-332-8253

Storage of Personal Belongings and Vehicles

Personal belongings and vehicles may be stored at the NOLS facility for the duration of your trip. Valuables may be checked in to our safe. Due care will be taken to prevent theft or damage of your stored items. However, NOLS does not assume any liability for lost, stolen, or damaged personal property while in our care. If you want insurance coverage for your personal belongings, you need to provide it yourself. Parking is generally available on a NOLS lot for the duration of your trip in an unfenced parking lot with little or no security. If all available spaces are filled or you want more secure storage, private companies offer such facilities for a modest fee. Arrangements can be made on the morning your trip begins.

Mail

You will be able to receive mail before and after your trip, however, you will not receive or be able to send out mail while you are in the field. Inform your family and friends that letters and packages sent to you must include your course code, (GAN 7/28)

Your Name

NOLS

P.O. Box333

Lander, WY82520

Telephone

You will be out of telephone contact for the duration of your field experience. We have pay telephones for use at the dorm.

Fishing Licenses

Fishing for trout is possible on this trip. While fishing is considered to be good in Wyoming, we can never guarantee you'll catch a fish! You can purchase a State of Wyoming fishing license on the first day of the trip. Non-resident fishing license fees range from \$11/day for a non-resident adult (up to 6 days) or \$86 for an annual license.

Potential Expenses

Bring enough cash to cover expenses encountered while traveling to and from Lander.

Additional expenses may include phone calls, shuttle fees, and any miscellaneous purchases like film, toiletries, etc. We suggest a minimum of \$215.

First and Last Day

The first day is busy. All phone calls, letters, and personal matters must be attended to the evening before leaving for the field. After an early breakfast, instructors will check your equipment and issue any items you need for the climb. You will prepare rations, then pack up to leave town. Once last minute details are completed (generally after lunch), you will be transported to the roadhead to spend your first night camping.

On the last day, you will be picked up early in the morning and transported via NOLS vehicles back to the NOLS base. Upon arrival, you will clean, repair, and return issued equipment, then take that long-awaited shower. You will also have an opportunity to purchase equipment from our outfitting department. The expedition concludes with dinner.

Contacting NOLS

All completed forms, tuition payments, and other correspondence should be sent to NOLS, 284 Lincoln Street, Lander, WY, 82520. Questions concerning trip content, enrollment, etc., should be directed to the NOLS Alumni office at the same address, or call 800-332-4280 between 8:00am and 5:00pm, MST, Monday through Friday.