

# GABY PILSON

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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**    **ANTARCTIC/ARCTIC HIKING GUIDE** | ALBATROS EXPEDITIONS OCTOBER 2018 - PRESENT

- Lead clients on hiking excursions in the Antarctic and Arctic
- Present hour-long lectures and 15-minute recaps on relevant topics
- Operate zodiacs during landings and cruising's in all conditions
- Handle and operate firearms in polar bear territory

## **SENIOR GLACIER GUIDE** | EXIT GLACIER GUIDES MAY 2015 – PRESENT

- Lead clients in ice climbing, glacier trekking, and mountaineering
- Educate on Alaskan history, wildlife, glaciology, and climate change
- Teach proper crampon use, ice climbing, and glacier travel skills
- Train new guides on risk management and technical skills

## **FIELD INSTRUCTOR** | NATIONAL OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SCHOOL AUGUST 2017 – PRESENT

- Instruct students on month-long wilderness backpacking expeditions
- Teach the NOLS core curriculum of environmental studies, leadership, wilderness skills, and risk management
- Provide formal and informal growth-oriented feedback

## **WILDERNESS MEDICINE INSTRUCTOR** | SOLO SCHOOLS JANUARY 2017 – PRESENT

- Teach the SOLO Wilderness First Aid Curriculum to students
- Facilitate medical emergency scenarios to assess practical skills
- Offer timely constructive and positive feedback to students

## **DIRECTOR OF OUTDOOR EDUCATION** | DUNN SCHOOL AUGUST 2018 – APRIL 2019

- Responsible for planning and organization of eight week-long outdoor education trips for 250 middle and high school students
- Develop curriculum with age-specific learning outcomes to fulfill Dunn School's whole student educational philosophy
- Oversee risk management protocols and write policies and procedures
- Hire seasonal staff and conduct performance evaluations
- Manage a program budget and write an annual report

## **EDUCATION**    **THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH** | EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND MSC OUTDOOR EDUCATION (EXPECTED)

**HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL** | CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSSETS  
CREDENTIAL OF READINESS (CORE)

**HAMILTON COLLEGE** | CLINTON, NEW YORK  
BA PHILOSOPHY & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Honors: The Alfred J. and A. Barrett Seaman Writing Prize

**PROFESSIONAL COURSES AND CERTIFICATIONS**

**MOUNTAIN/CLIMBING GUIDING**

- AMGA Climbing Wall Instructor – Lead & Course Provider
- AMGA Alpine Skills Course
- AMGA Single Pitch Instructor Course
- AIARE Avalanche Courses 1 & 2

**WILDERNESS MEDICINE**

- W-EMT (NREMT) & BLS Healthcare Provider CPR
- Advanced Wilderness Life Support

**NATIONAL OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SCHOOL (NOLS)**

- Rocky Mountain Instructor Course
- Summer Rock Climbing Instructor Seminar
- Outdoor Educator Mountaineering Course
- Leave No Trace (LNT) Master Educator
- Risk Management Training for Administrators

**ROYAL YACHTING ASSOCIATION (RYA)**

- Advanced Powerboat Day and Night
- Day Skipper Theory and Keelboat Level 3
- Sea Survival & VHF Radio Certificates
- Diesel Engine Maintenance

**MARITIME/STCW**

- USCG MMC O/S and STCW
- STCW Basic Training, Security Awareness & Crowd Management

**FIREARMS HANDLING**

- Maryland Handgun Qualification License
- Spartan Firearms Group Handgun, Rifle, and Shotgun Safety Training

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

**AMERICAN MOUNTAIN GUIDES ASSOCIATION**

**WILDERNESS MEDICAL SOCIETY | FAWM CANDIDATE**

**ASSOCIATION FOR EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION**

**INSTITUTE FOR OUTDOOR LEARNING | APIOL CANDIDATE**

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**ACCREDITATION REVIEWER | AEE**

FEBRUARY 2019 – PRESENT

**CLIMBING WALL INSTRUCTOR COURSE PROVIDER | AMGA**

OCTOBER 2016 – PRESENT

**WORK PLACEMENT INSTRUCTOR | VENTURE TRUST**

JANUARY 2018 – FEBRUARY 2019

**EMT | CENTRAL ONEIDA COUNTY VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS**

DECEMBER 2014 – MAY 2017

**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

**NATIVE PROFICIENCY | ENGLISH, AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE**

**WORKING PROFICIENCY | SPANISH, DANISH, MANDARIN**

**ELEMENTARY PROFICIENCY | FRENCH, GERMAN**