



What is the SOAR Program?

The SOAR Program is designed to introduce students of diverse backgrounds to careers in the National Park Service. The program represents a commitment to increase staff diversity at Grand Canyon National Park.

Each student employee will work closely with a staff mentor from their division of interest, as well as learn the broader functions of the National Park Service.

Grand Canyon National Park is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Diverse candidates are encouraged to apply.



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The SOAR Program gives students a "jump start" in their chosen career fields by providing valuable, paid work experience while they are still in school. After completion of their academic and work requirements, students may be eligible for permanent employment.

“ We are the department of all America. We represent the people of this country from Yosemite National Park and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to the Canyons of the Ancients National Monument, Samoa and Guam, and the Virgin Islands. As the Department of America, our ranks should reflect the face of the American public we serve. ”

– Secretary of the Interior, Ken Salazar



Program Description

The SOAR Program consists of the following elements to assist selected candidates during their summer employment:

- Orientation to Grand Canyon National Park and the NPS
- Mentoring Program
- Team/Relationship Building
- Exploration of the Park and other interests/work assignments

Potential Opportunities

- Interpretive Park Ranger
- Maintenance Worker
- Laborer
- Administrative Support Position
- Fire Effect Monitor
- Fire Ecology and Fuels Management
- South Rim Engine Crew Member
- Cultural Resources Technician
- Management Support – Superintendent’s Office
- Concessions Office Automation Assistant

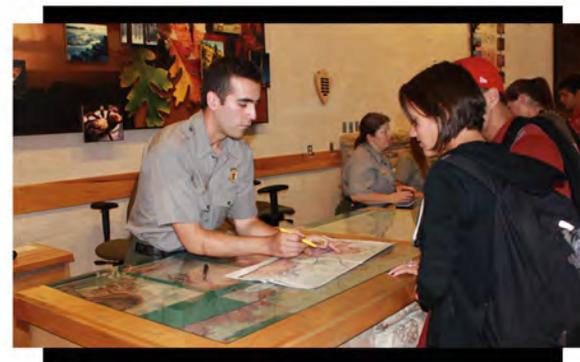
Program Requirements

Students are eligible for the SOAR Program if they are:

- Enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a degree student (diploma, certificate, etc.) in an accredited institution; and
- At least the minimum age required by Federal, state or local laws and standards governing the employment of minors; and
- Taking at least half-time academic, vocational or technical course load in an accredited high school, technical or vocational school, 2-year or 4-year college or university, graduate or professional school; and
- Maintaining at least a 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale; and
- A U.S. citizen or a national (resident of American Samoa or Swains Island).

Other Information

- Positions will generally be May- August, 40 hours per week.
- Depending on your level of education and work experience, and the position you could earn between \$9.74 and \$17.18 per hour.
- Housing is provided at a minimal cost, ranging from \$125 - \$250 per pay period (every two weeks).



How to Apply

Mail your resume, cover letter including the position you’re interested in, unofficial transcript and proof of enrollment to:

Grand Canyon National Park
Diversity Program Coordinator
Attn: SOAR Program
1824 S. Thompson Street, Suite 200
Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Deadline: January 20, 2012

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