Burntside Lodge – Ely, Minnesota

Step back in time and experience the beauty of Minnesota's north woods at Burntside Lodge, the oldest guest lodge in the Ely area and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Family-owned and operated since 1941, Burntside Lodge sits among tall pines on the southern shore of Burntside Lake—a sparkling 12-mile lake filled with over 120 islands. You'll become part of a warm, family-run team that values history, hospitality, and the peaceful beauty of nature. You'll have access to kayaks, canoes, the beach, sauna, and fitness equipment while enjoying life in a friendly, artistic community surrounded by pristine lakes. Just six miles away, the town of Ely offers shops, cafés, galleries, and festivals that make each day an adventure.



Employee Perks

Use of kayaks and canoes, access to fitness equipment and sauna, beautiful lakeside setting!

Cultural Opportunities

Canoeing and hiking in the Boundary Waters, visiting the International Wolf and Bear Centers, exploring local museums and festivals.

EOS Hospitality Hilton & Embassy Suites - Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Spend your summer by the ocean with EOS Hospitality at the Hilton Myrtle Beach and Embassy Suites Myrtle Beach—two beautiful beachfront resorts offering the perfect mix of work, learning, and fun. Located along South Carolina's famous Grand Strand, you'll gain valuable hospitality experience while enjoying sunny beaches, ocean breezes, and a welcoming, international team. Myrtle Beach is known for its friendly community, great food, and exciting attractions, making it the ideal place to meet people from around the world and create unforgettable memories.



Employee Perks

Hilton travel discounts, free lunch each shift, free 78 Fitness membership, spa service discounts, seasonal insurance, and local area discounts!

Cultural
Opportunities

Pelicans baseball games, Brookgreen Gardens, Summer Country Music Fest, exploring Myrtle Beach's boardwalk, beaches, and local events!

Fun City - Estes Park, Colorado

Get ready for a summer of excitement at Fun City, located near the gateway to Rocky Mountain National Park! This lively family entertainment park features go-karts, bumper boats, a giant rainbow slide, mini golf, a bungee trampoline, and more—all surrounded by breathtaking mountain views. Just two blocks from downtown Estes Park, Fun City is a favorite stop for vacationing families from around the world. You'll work in a friendly, outdoor environment with mild summer weather, great coworkers, and plenty of opportunities to explore Colorado's stunning scenery. When it's quiet, employees even get to enjoy the rides themselves!



Employee Perks

Cultural Opportunities Competitive bonuses, overtime opportunities, free access to rides during off-hours, and the chance to live and work surrounded by the Rocky Mountains! Hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park, shopping trips to Denver and Fort Collins, weekly international student nights, and local festivals like Wine Fest, Elk Fest, and the Duck Race!

Hampton Inn Kennebunk - Kennebunk, Maine

Start your summer with a rewarding experience at the Hampton Inn by Hilton, one of the top-rated places to work. As part of the Hilton family, you'll join a professional and welcoming team committed to exceptional guest service and high standards. You'll receive full training before taking on your own responsibilities, giving you valuable hospitality experience that will help you grow both personally and professionally. While the team works hard to deliver top-quality service, there's always time for fun—regular pizza parties and staff events make Hampton Inn a great place to work and connect with others.



Employee Perks

Great pay and incentives, a friendly team environment, and regular staff celebrations!

Cultural
Opportunities

Explore Maine's historic sites and local theaters, take sailing trips, and catch a Boston Red Sox game with easy train access via the Amtrak Downeaster!

Hotel Iroquois - Mackinac Island, Michigan

Experience the charm of island life at the Hotel Iroquois, a historic waterfront property on beautiful Mackinac Island. Known as the top tourist destination in the Midwest, the island offers a truly unique atmosphere—no cars, just bicycles, horses, and peaceful lake views. As part of the team, you'll enjoy excellent housing and meals in an apartment-style complex located near scenic park trails. Each summer, around 100 employees from across the U.S. and around the world come together to create unforgettable guest experiences. Working here means gaining valuable hospitality experience while living in one of America's most picturesque destinations.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing and meals, apartment-style accommodations, beautiful waterfront location, and a supportive international team environment!

Cultural
Opportunities

Celebrate holidays, enjoy concerts and theater shows, attend summer festivals, and join community recreation events on the island!

Logan's Bar and Grill - Speculator, New York

Work and live in the heart of the Adirondack Mountains at Logan's Bar and Grill, a full-service, 100-seat restaurant owned by a former sous chef of Anthony Bourdain in Manhattan. This is a great opportunity to gain real hospitality experience while surrounded by mountain views, fresh air, and outdoor adventure. The town of Speculator offers everything you need within walking distance—shops, restaurants, a grocery store, and a beautiful lake just five minutes away. With friendly locals and plenty to explore, it's the perfect mix of small-town charm and scenic beauty. Comfortable staff housing with a private bathroom is located just two minutes from the restaurant.



Employee Perks

Convenient staff housing, free or discounted outdoor gear use, and easy access to hiking, kayaking, and local attractions!

Cultural Opportunities Day trips around the Adirondacks, kayaking and camping, 4th of July fireworks over the lake, weekly farmers markets and waterfront concerts, and guest passes to Camp of the Woods resort!

Los Pueblos Mexican Restaurant - Arnolds Park, Iowa

Join the team at Los Pueblos Mexican Restaurant, one of the most popular dining spots in the beautiful Okoboji Lakes Area! Known for our fast-paced, high-energy atmosphere and friendly staff, this is the perfect place to work hard, learn quickly, and meet new people from all over. The summer is warm, sunny, and full of excitement — perfect for enjoying the three surrounding lakes, local attractions, and vibrant community events. We're proud to offer free employee meals, excellent pay, and some of the best tips in the area. With lakes, beaches, and entertainment just steps away, you'll have plenty to explore!



Employee Perks

Cultural Opportunities Free meals during shifts, great pay and tips, fun and supportive team, and close proximity to beaches, shops, and summer attractions.

Three lakes with beach access, amusement and water parks, live concerts, Lakes Art Center, local museums, bowling alley, shopping, bike and walking trails, and summer theater performances!

Moo's Gourmet Ice Cream - Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Join the team at Moo's Gourmet Ice Cream, a family-owned and operated ice cream shop located in the heart of downtown Jackson Hole, right across from the iconic town square. We make all of our ice cream in-house using fresh, high-quality ingredients — and during the busy summer months, you'll see lines out the door and down the block! We've proudly hosted J-1 participants for over 15 years and love welcoming students from all over the world. Working here means being part of a friendly, fast-paced team in one of the most beautiful places in America — surrounded by mountains, wildlife, and adventure. Plus, you'll earn great tips and meet people from across the globe while perfecting your customer service skills.



Employee Perks

Great housing close to work with a full kitchen and laundry, access to e-bikes and regular bikes, amazing tips, and a stunning location!

Cultural Opportunities

Fishing and rafting on the Snake River, trips to Yellowstone, horseback riding, and scenic carriage rides through Jackson Hole!

Moose's Tooth Pub and Pizzeria - Anchorage, Alaska

Join the team at Moose's Tooth Pub and Pizzeria, one of Anchorage's most popular locally owned restaurants! Known for its lively atmosphere and award-winning pizza, Moose's Tooth offers a fun and welcoming work environment where J-1 participants can experience true Alaskan culture. You'll meet locals and visitors from around the world while working alongside a supportive, friendly team that values creativity and collaboration. Anchorage offers the best of both worlds — a modern city surrounded by incredible wilderness, where after work you can explore mountains, lakes, and wildlife or enjoy summer festivals and local events under Alaska's famous "midnight sun."



Employee Perks

Discounted meals and merchandise, free movie tickets, and employee-priced concert passes!

Cultural Opportunities Explore hiking and fishing adventures, attend summer festivals and concerts, and enjoy unique local events like the Fur Rendezvous and Summer Solstice celebrations!

Murphy's Market - Beach Haven, New Jersey

Join the Murphy's Markets family, a locally owned and community-focused grocery store group serving South Jersey since the 1970s. With three locations across the region, Murphy's is built on a foundation of respect, customer care, and teamwork. Employees are valued as part of the extended Murphy's family and play an important role in maintaining our friendly, well-stocked stores. You'll work in a supportive, welcoming environment while experiencing life in one of New Jersey's most scenic coastal communities. Long Beach Island offers sun, sand, and summer fun—plus easy access to both New York City and Philadelphia for exciting day trips.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing, great team atmosphere, close proximity to the beach, and easy day trips to major cities.

Cultural Opportunities

Enjoy concerts in the park, visit local lighthouses and historical sites, relax on the beach, or explore nearby Atlantic City and Philadelphia!

Old Abes Old Time Portraits - Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

Step back in time this summer and join the team at Old Time Portrait Studio in the heart of downtown Wisconsin Dells, "The Water Park Capital of the World!" Our studio gives guests the chance to dress up in vintage costumes and have their portraits taken in a fun, family-friendly setting. As part of our team, you'll help customers choose costumes, assist with dressing, take photos, process orders, and make sure every visitor leaves with a smile. We're known for our welcoming atmosphere, strong teamwork, and the lasting friendships formed each season. With scenic river views, warm weather, and visitors from around the world, this is a great opportunity to practice your English, meet new people, and enjoy an unforgettable summer!



Employee Perks

Free portraits, free staff buffets and treat days, entertainment card with free or discounted attraction admissions!

Cultural Opportunities

Monthly J-1 student events, free or discounted entry to Wisconsin Dells attractions, and a team celebration day before the season ends!

Riviera Motel - Mackinaw City, Michigan

Stay steps away from it all at the Riviera Motel, where comfort meets convenience in the heart of Mackinaw City. Perfectly positioned with stunning views of Lake Huron and the iconic Mackinac Bridge, our family-owned motel offers guests a relaxing stay filled with small-town charm and northern Michigan hospitality. Employees will enjoy a welcoming, supportive atmosphere while working just a short walk from the beach, ferries to Mackinac Island, local shops, and historic landmarks. With clean, comfortable accommodations, a heated outdoor pool, and unbeatable access to all the city has to offer, this is the ideal summer destination for anyone who loves lakeside living and friendly guests from around the world.



Employee Perks

Cultural Opportunities Great location near downtown attractions and the beach, family-style work environment, beautiful lakeside views, and access to the outdoor pool! xplore Mackinac Island by ferry, enjoy bike trails and boat tours, visit local museums and fudge shops, and experience community festivals and waterfront fun!



Salty Siren Eats & Taphouse - Skagway, Alaska

Join the Salty Siren team and experience the best of Alaska while working in one of the most breathtaking destinations in the world. Nestled between towering mountains and the Lynn Canal, Skagway offers stunning natural beauty, fascinating history, and a vibrant summer community. At The Salty Siren, we work hard and play hard—embracing the Alaskan way of life while providing guests with locally inspired, sustainably sourced meals made with care. We're proud of our commitment to sustainability, from using bio-diesel and aeroponics to featuring wild-caught Alaskan salmon and halibut.



Employee Perks

\$1/hour seasonal bonus, 50% off food at Salty Siren, 25% off at Brew Co, and a fun, team-oriented workplace!

Cultural
Opportunities

Staff appreciation nights, discounted local tours, and plenty of chances to explore Alaska's outdoors!

San Juan Island Brewing Co. - Friday Harbor, Washington

San Juan Island Brewing Co. is a locally owned and operated brewery proudly rooted in the heart of the Pacific Northwest. Located in the scenic town of Friday Harbor, our brewpub is a lively gathering place for both locals and visitors, offering great food, handcrafted beer, and a welcoming atmosphere. Working here means becoming part of a community that values authenticity, teamwork, and a love for island life. The island's stunning natural surroundings—complete with whale watching, kayaking, and hiking—make this a truly unique and rewarding summer experience.



Employee Perks

Friendly team environment, opportunities for growth, access to outdoor recreation!

Cultural Opportunities

Whale and wildlife tours, kayaking, hiking, and biking the island's scenic trails and coastline!

Seagull Bay Motel - Bayfield, Wisconsin

Welcome to Seagull Bay Motel, where your summer memories come with a view! Located on the shores of beautiful Lake Superior, our motel offers 35 comfortable rooms with breathtaking views and easy access to outdoor adventure. From kayaking in the Apostle Islands to exploring Bayfield's charming shops, cafes, and music festivals, everything is just steps away. We pride ourselves on offering clean, quiet accommodations and a warm, family-like environment where staff and guests alike feel at home. Working with us means joining a close-knit team dedicated to creating unforgettable experiences for every visitor.



Employee Perks

Friendly, family-oriented work environment, lakeside location with amazing views, access to outdoor activities!

Cultural Opportunities

Explore the Apostle Islands, enjoy local festivals and live music, visit nearby marinas and beaches!



Seaview RV Resort - Eastport, Maine

Welcome to Seaview RV Resort, your oceanfront home on Maine's stunning coast! Just steps from downtown Eastport, our property blends relaxation, safety, and adventure in one scenic location. From whale watching and hiking to fireworks and art shows, there's always something happening near our resort. Seaview is currently being beautifully renovated with new amenities, including a heated pool, sport court, and updated cottages! We're looking for friendly, detail-oriented team members who love nature, enjoy working independently, and want to create memorable experiences for our guests. Come spend your summer surrounded by ocean breezes, small-town charm, and lifelong friends.



Employee Perks

Beautiful oceanfront setting, new resort amenities, great team environment, and close access to Eastport shops and beaches!

Cultural
Opportunities

Enjoy local fairs and festivals, celebrate the 4th of July in true New England style, attend the Blueberry or Pirate Festivals, and take a trip to nearby Canada (visa permitting)!

Spark by Hilton - Onalaska, Wisconsin

Spark by Hilton is part of Noble Hotels LLC, a privately owned company proudly partnering with the student exchange program since 2016. Located in the charming town of Onalaska, Wisconsin near the scenic Mississippi River, our hotel offers a warm, welcoming environment perfect for students looking to learn, grow, and experience American hospitality. Summers in Wisconsin are beautiful and lively, filled with outdoor fun and friendly guests from all over the world. Our team is like family — we celebrate birthdays, enjoy summer dinners and potlucks, and love helping our staff make the most of their time here.



Employee Perks

Free housing, great team environment, ideal for couples, easy indoor work, close to Wisconsin Dells and the Mall of America!

Cultural Opportunities

Bass fishing on the Mississippi River, exploring fall colors, shopping at the Mall of America, and visiting America's biggest water parks!

The Shirt Factory at 53 Rehoboth - Rehoboth Beach, Delaware

Welcome to The Shirt Factory! Located just steps from the sand, our store provides beach apparel, souvenirs, and supplies for visitors enjoying beautiful Rehoboth Beach. We specialize in customized t-shirts where customers can choose their own designs to create unique keepsakes, along with premium brands like Life is Good, Huk, and Salt Life. Beyond clothing, we offer everything for the perfect beach day—chairs, umbrellas, and accessories—all in a fun, fast-paced environment that's perfect for meeting locals and tourists alike.



Employee Perks

Housing provided, 30% employee discount, steps from the beach, surrounded by lively shops and restaurants!

Cultural
Opportunities

Weekly church dinners, student safety events with free bike gear, beach bonfires, live music, and 4th of July fireworks!

Macondo Agency - Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Join our team and help capture vacation memories in one of America's most famous beach destinations! Our company provides professional photography services in popular restaurants throughout Myrtle Beach. You'll take and edit high-quality photos for guests, creating fun and memorable experiences every day. This energetic, social, and customer-focused environment is a great place to practice English, improve sales and communication skills, and gain hands-on photography experience. Myrtle Beach is known for its lively coastal atmosphere, warm sunny summers, and friendly community. Enjoy swimming, surfing, amusement parks, live music, shopping, and local festivals during your time off while making new friends!



Employee Perks

Housing provided, photography and editing training, and flexible schedules!

Cultural
Opportunities

Practice English with guests, explore beaches and local festivals, attend live music and seasonal events!

Seward Hospitality Group (SHG) - (Multiple locations) Seward, Alaska

Seward Hospitality Group invites you to live and work in one of Alaska's most beautiful coastal towns—Seward, the gateway to Kenai Fjords National Park. Surrounded by glaciers, mountains, and wildlife, Seward offers endless opportunities for adventure, from whale watching and glacier tours to hiking Mount Marathon. Our family of restaurants and hotels provides a warm, welcoming atmosphere where employees gain hands-on hospitality experience while making lifelong friends. Staff perks include housing provided, local discounts, and flexible scheduling, plus cultural opportunities like guided hikes, glacier cruises, and discounted excursions with local partners.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing provided, employee discounts at local businesses, and flexible scheduling!

Cultural Opportunities

Whale watching, glacier tours, guided hikes to Mount Marathon, special employee discounts for local attractions!

Highline Adventures Travelodge Gardiner Yellowstone - Gardiner, Montana

Nestled just one mile from the North entrance to Yellowstone National Park, Travelodge Gardiner offers students the chance to work and live surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty. As part of a small, family-owned company operating one hotel and five RV parks across Montana, our team provides a welcoming and supportive environment for all staff. We've proudly hosted Work & Travel students for over ten summers and value sharing local culture and the Montana lifestyle. Employees can enjoy outdoor recreation, participate in company outings, and gain experience in hospitality while being part of a tight-knit, environmentally conscious team.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing, local discounts, outdoor recreation, and company-sponsored staff gatherings!

Cultural Opportunities

Trips to Yellowstone National Park, holiday parties, visits to local hot springs, and excursions to nearby towns for shopping and cultural events!

Ridgecrest Conference Center - Ridgecrest, North Carolina

Nestled in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina, Ridgecrest Conference Center welcomes over 50,000 guests each year for conferences, retreats, and special events. Our mission is to impact lives for God's glory through purposeful hospitality. As a summer staff member, you'll join a faith-driven, energetic, and community-focused team in a scenic mountain resort setting with warm days, cool evenings, and endless opportunities for growth. Whether you're looking to strengthen your faith, gain valuable hospitality experience, or spend a summer surrounded by nature, Ridgecrest is where purpose meets adventure.



Employee Perks

Free housing and meals, outdoor recreation and hiking, staff events and discipleship opportunities, access to fitness and recreation facilities!

Cultural Opportunities Explore Asheville's music festivals, art walks, and museums, hike the Blue Ridge Parkway, visit waterfalls and local lakes, and experience the city's vibrant and diverse culture!

Best Western Devils Tower Inn - Hulett, Wyoming

Tucked in the scenic high plains of northeastern Wyoming, Devils Tower Lodge offers a peaceful escape just minutes from the awe-inspiring Devils Tower National Monument — America's first national monument and a sacred site of Native American heritage. Perfectly located within 90 minutes of Mount Rushmore and the Black Hills, our lodge blends rugged western charm with modern comfort. Whether you're catching sunrise at the Tower, stargazing under crystal-clear skies, or exploring nearby trails and historic landmarks, this is a one-of-a-kind setting for adventure and discovery.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing, 30% store discount, overtime opportunities for hard-working employees, and a fun, friendly environment steps from the beach!

Cultural
Opportunities

Free community meals, student center trips and events, beach concerts, and movie nights under the stars!

Otesaga Resort Hotel - Cooperstown, New York

A historic lakeside gem in the heart of Cooperstown, The Otesaga Resort Hotel blends timeless elegance with modern comfort. Recognized with the AAA Four Diamond Award and a proud member of Historic Hotels of America, our resort embodies the charm, grace, and hospitality of a bygone era while offering exceptional amenities and service. Employees enjoy a luxury environment that attracts visitors from around the world, all while surrounded by the natural beauty of Otsego Lake. Team members gain valuable hospitality experience in a professional yet welcoming atmosphere where hard work and dedication are truly appreciated. Working here means joining a community that values excellence, attention to detail, and creating memorable guest experiences in one of Upstate New York's most scenic and historic destinations.



Employee Perks

Affordable housing provided (\$125/week), free shift meals, family & friends rate, and discounts on retail, restaurants, spa, and golf!

Cultural
Opportunities

Visit the Baseball Hall of Fame, The Farmer's Museum, and The Fenimore Art Museum, or enjoy live performances at the Glimmerglass Opera!