



WEMBA ALASKA

Info Session

Wharton Leadership Ventures (WLV)



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Wharton Leadership Ventures

Experiences that facilitate self-discovery, leadership, and character development. Participants step out of their comfort zone, exceed personal limitations, and experience leadership firsthand.

Intensives: 1-3 Days

Expeditions: 7-10 Days

Serving: WEMBA, MBA, Wharton UG



Venture Partner: National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)



Mission:

Be the leading source and teacher of wilderness skills and leadership that serve people and the environment.

Role:

Logistics & technical expertise
Facilitate leadership learning
Emergency response

Venture Fellow (VF): Wharton Leadership Ventures



Mission:

To develop leaders who act with a deeper understanding of themselves, their organizations, and their communities, and contribute positively to the growth of each.

Role:

Logistics and information resource. Keeper of the venture process, & advisor to participants.

Alaska Venture: What to Expect

Membership:

10 WEMBA Participants

2 Venture Fellow (Liz, Andrew)

3 Venture Partners (NOLS Guides)

Overview:

Focus on Leadership Development

End-to-End Backpacking (8-10 hour days
carrying heavy packs)

Team driven



Venture Itinerary: *Bomber Traverse, Talkeetna Range, Alaska*

Day 1 (6/7):

Arrive in Anchorage no later than 1pm. T-port to NOLS basecamp in Palmer, AK.

Day 2 (6/8):

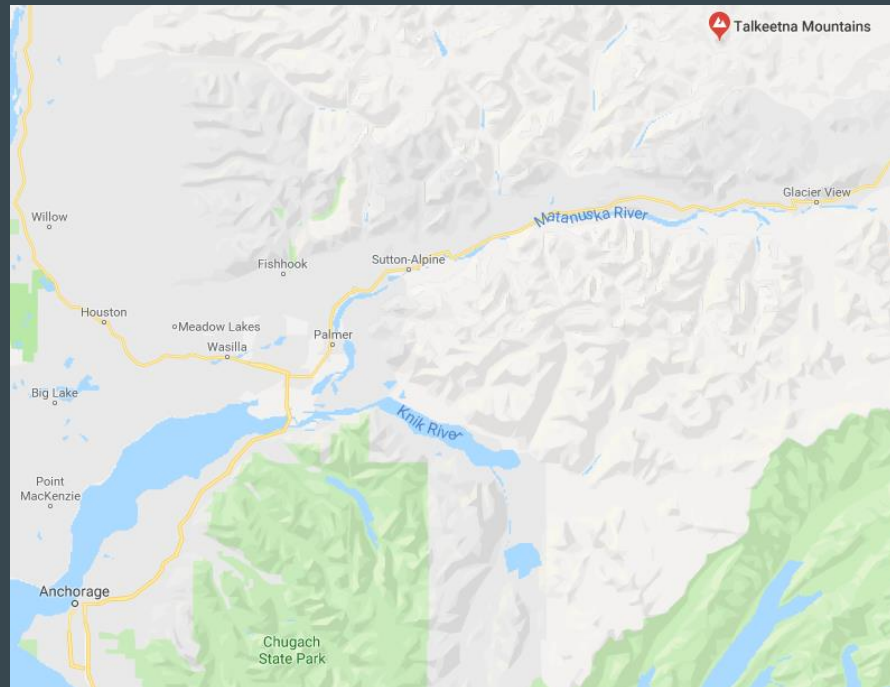
T-port from Palmer to Trailhead ~30min

Day 3-7 (6/9-6/13):

End to End Backpacking,

Day 7 (6/13):

Venture adjourns; NOLS transport to Anchorage by 8 PM



Travel Considerations: *Bomber Traverse, Talkeetna Range, Alaska*

Anchorage Airport

- The Anchorage airport code is ANC. Taxis to downtown cost about \$30.
- Hotel Captain Cook is recommended by the Wharton Ventures coordination team.

Time Zone

- Alaska Time Zone is 4 hours behind Eastern, 3 hours behind Central, 2 hours behind Mountain, 1 hour behind Pacific.

If Delayed

- If your arrival to Anchorage is delayed and you are not able to make the pick up at the airport, please call the NOLS Alaska office at (907) 745-4047.

Cell phones

- You will be out of telephone contact for the duration of your expedition. There is reasonable but not excellent cell phone coverage from NOLS headquarters in Palmer.

Weather & Gear

Summer Conditions

- Summer daytime temperatures range from the mid 30s to the low 70s
- This is a temperate rainforest. It can rain (or snow) for days.
- Cold temperatures at night.

Gear

- Gear lists will be provided
- NOLS gear rental & purchase
- NOLS provides technical equipment



Our Expectations

Communication & Commitment

Medical forms, gear check, goal setting session with VF, payments, physical training, etc.

Rise to the Challenge

This will be mentally and physically challenging – prepare for this experience.

“Crew Not Passengers”

Be accountable for yourself and your team.



Timeline

January:

- Information Sessions

February:

- Registration opens

March:

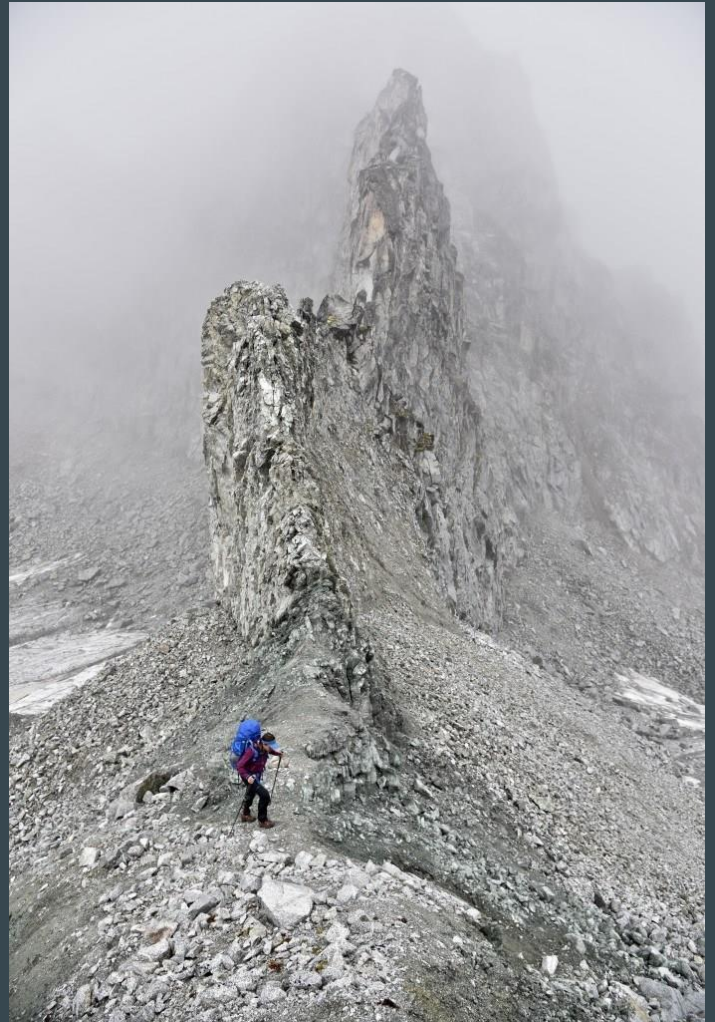
- (10) Venture Participants Selected
- Payment Due
- Venture Info Session (with Selected Participants)

June 2 – 8:

- Venture

NOW:

- Physical Training Starts



Next Steps & Cost

Cost:

\$3500 (\$3375 paid by participant, \$125 insurance subsidy from MLP)

Additional Costs (Additional Insurance, Gear purchase or rental through NOLS, Flight)

How to Apply:

Please be on the lookout for registration in February. Questions? Contact Jules julesroy@wharton.upenn.edu and Sam sastahl@wharton.upenn.edu