

SvalbardGuideOpplæringen SGO 2020

Svalbard Guide Training Course

February 17. – 23.



Self-study:

Every participant of the course needs to read the compulsory online study and go through the written exam on day 1.

Self-study site: www.visitsvalbard.com/en/SGO

Monday – Wednesday; all lessons at Longyearbyen Røde Kors / Red Cross

Monday: Module 1 basic course; The guide role, science and the history of Lyb

1. Introduction to SGO and tourism in Svalbard
08.30. – 09.30.
By Ronny Strømnes, chairman of Svalbard Tourism Board
2. Written test - exam
Based on web study, need to be passed in order to follow the rest of the course.
09.30. – 10.30.
3. Svalbard and Longyearbyen; history lesson
10.30. – apx 12.30.
An introduction to local history and the community of Longyearbyen.
By Anna Lena Ekeblad, True North Arctic Guideservice
4. Visit to Svalbard Museum
13.45. – 14.45.
By curator Herdis Lien, Svalbard Museum
5. The environment and the role of the guide
15.30. – 18.00.
By Jens Abild, ANG Study (Arctic Nature Guide)

Tuesday: Modul 1 basic course; The Governor of Svalbard, including SaR

6. Meeting the Governor and the SaR
09.00. – 15.45.
- Environmental management in Svalbard
- Cultural heritage in Svalbard
- Tourism in Svalbard
- The police; emergency and rescue services
- Apx 13.45-15.45.; a visit to «Lufttransport», transport from Lyb Røde Kors.
7. "UNIS – Science and education in Svalbard - with examples from Arctic biology."
16.00. – 17.30.
By Prof. Mads Forchhammer, Arctic Biology UNIS
8. Information on the winter field course (Module 3, Friday-Sunday)
At Hurtigruten Svalbard/IGP, 2.nd floor
18.00. – 19.30. By Thor Elvebakk, Vemund Solli and Victor Eklund

Wednesday: Module 2 safety course

1. First aid course. Note: combined indoor-outdoor so please wear appropriate clothes
08.00. – 16.00
Instructors: Elke Morgener, Veronika Sund and Timon Brüggeman, Lyb Røde Kors

Thursday: Module 2 safety course

2. 08.00. – 09.00 at UNIS: Polar bear safety
The shooting range; – transport from UNIS
09.30. – 16:00; transport 09.15!
Instructors: Charlotte Sandmo and Audun Tholfsen, UNIS

Friday - Sunday: Module 3 – winter field course

Off we go into the wilderness! Bring gear according to list* and info given on Tuesday by the instructors Thor Elvebakk, Vemund Solli and Victor Eklund

Meet at the UNIS field at 08.00., if not otherwise told at the prep meeting Tuesday.
Back in Longyearbyen at Sunday apx 18.00.

*NB: you need to have your own snowmobile (or rent one) and your own personal gear in order to follow the field course.

Day plan winter field course

(NB; content and hours may vary)

Day	Tid	Innhold	Sted
Tuesday	18:00>	Prepare the field trip	Longyearbyen
Day 1	08:30-14:00	On snowmible to location	Lyb – to location
Day 1	14:00->	Establish winter camp	Field location
Day 2	08:30-16:00	Glaciers and avalanches; training	Field location
Day 2	16:00->	Establish snow bivuaakk	Field location
Day 3	08:00-12:00	To location for training on sea ice	Field location
Day 3	12:00-14:00	Safety and rescue on sea ice	Field location - Lyb
Day 3	14:00-18:00	Pack and deliver equipment, evaluation	Lyb
Day 3	20:00	Round up with pizza and refreshments! *	Kroa

*On Sunday we've booked a table at Kroa at 20.00. for a nice ending and summary of the winter field course (for the participants of the field course only).

This program is with reservations; the content, hours and instructors may be changed before and as the course is held.

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