

SvalbardGuideOpplæringen - SGO 2022

Svalbard Guide Training Course

14. – 20. February 2022



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; venue at **Radisson BLU Polar Hotel.**

Coffee/tea/water will be available for free, while lunch might be bought at Barentz Pub.

Monday 14.: Module 1 basic course; The guide role, science and the history of Lyb

1. Introduction to SGO, sustainability and tourism in Svalbard
08.30. – 09.45.
By Visit Svalbard; Ronny Brunvoll and Sara B. Madsen.
2. Written test - exam
Based on web study, need to be passed in order to follow the rest of the course.
09.45. – 10.30.
3. The environment and the role of the guide
10.45. – 13.15. (lunch break in between)
By Sigmund Andersen, ANG Study (Arctic Nature Guide)
4. Svalbard and Longyearbyen; history lesson
13.30. – 15.00.
An introduction to local history and the community of Longyearbyen.
By Anna Lena Ekeblad, True North Arctic Guideservice
5. Visit to Svalbard Museum
15.15. – 16.00.
By Anita Utsi, Svalbard Museum

Tuesday 15.: Modul 1 basic course; The Governor of Svalbard, including SaR

1. Meeting the Governor and the SaR-team
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», including transport.
2. "UNIS – Science and education in Svalbard - with examples from Arctic biology."
16.00. – 17.00.
By Stephen James Coulson, UNIS
3. Information on the winter field course (Module 3, Friday-Sunday)
At Hurtigruten Svalbard/IGP, 2.nd floor
18.00. – apx 19.30. By Thor Elvebakk, Fredric Fröberg, Calle Schönning

Wednesday 16.: Module 2 safety course

1. First aid course. Note: combined indoor-outdoor so please wear appropriate clothes
08.00. – 16.00
Instructors: Longyearbyen Røde Kors
2. Introduction Svalbard Global Seed Vault
16.15. – 17.15. By Åsmund Asdal, NordGen

Thursday 17.: Module 2 safety course

- 08.00. – 09.00 at UNIS: Polar bear safety
The shooting range; – transport from UNIS
- 09.30. – 16:00; (NB; transport 09.15!)
Instructor: Charlotte Sandmo, UNIS

Friday 18. – Sunday 20.: 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, Calle Schönning and Fredric Frøberg.

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).

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

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