



## Service Positions Open for 2020 Alpen (OPA) Cup Trip Zwiesel, Germany – March 18-24, 2020 Zwiesel

The U.S. Ski Team is seeking one or two service persons to join Trip Leaders Bernie Nelson (USST Development Coach) and Bryan Fish (U.S. Ski & Snowboard) and to this year's Alpen Cup Finals in Zwiesel, Germany. The positions will be funded by National Nordic Foundation. Each position filled will provide invaluable experience to individual, club, and our developing ski nation. While a goal of the National Team has been to get many coaches experience on these trips, an experienced staff is paramount. All applicants are welcome. The work is hard and the job is rewarding.

The desired applicant is a team player, and should have prior experience leading and participating in many camps and race trips. International experience is preferable, though not requisite. Applicants should be comfortable, clear, and effective in communicating regularly with athletes age 16 – 28, and be willing to work long days that may include leading team meetings, group activities, transporting athletes, orchestrating training sessions, mentoring athletes, and working with the service staff. All applicants must be licensed U.S. Ski & Snowboard coaches with a minimum Level 100 coaches' certification. Applicants must have a valid passport that has at least six months of validity after the final day of trip travel. All coaches on this trip must be able to drive manual transmissions.

The number of staff members necessary for this project is dependent upon the number of athletes that accept their nomination to take part of this trip. The maximum number of athletes for this trip is sixteen (16) and the maximum number of coaches and service staff is four (4). Selection criteria for this trip (and all International Development projects) can be found here: <https://usskiandsnowboard.org/index.php/sport-programs/criteria> under "Cross Country."

### Competition schedule

Mar 20: Junior-U20	W 2.5km CL/ M 3.3km CL Prolog
Mar 20: U23/Senior	W 2.5km CL/ M 3.3km CL Prolog
Mar 21: Junior-U20	W 5km FR MST/ M 10km FR MST
Mar 21: U23/Senior	W 5km FR MST/ M 10km FR MST
Mar 21: Junior-U20	W 10km CL PURSUIT / M 15km CL PURSUIT
Mar 21: U23/Senior	W 10km CL PURSUIT / M 15km CL PURSUIT

Applications should send a brief cover letter and resume to Bernie Nelson [bernadette.nelson@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:bernadette.nelson@usskiandsnowboard.org) and Bryan Fish [bryan.fish@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:bryan.fish@usskiandsnowboard.org) by January 10. Questions about the trip are welcome. The staff will be selected by January 17. Trip details will be finalized and posted after the National Ranking List posts on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020.