

# TOURISM CAREERS

- Tourism is a major source of employment
- Even when host nation economy is bad, still a tendency for tourism to thrive






## *Sample Occupations, Values & Interests*

- Like of People
- Patience
- Creativity
- Stamina
- Customer Services Skills
- Leadership/Managerial



# Is the Hospitality Industry Right for You?

- Based on quality of service
- Personal qualities needed:
  - Honesty
  - Willingness to work hard
  - Team player
  - Willingness to work long hours
  - Ability to deal with stress
  - Good decision-making skills
  - Good communication skills
  - Dedicated to exceptional service
  - Desire to exceed guest expectations



# Which Jobs can you identify in the following Tourism areas:

- Accommodations
- Transportation
- Travel Trade
- Food and Beverage
- Adventure Tourism
- Tourism Services
- Events and Conferences



# What Is a Career Path?

- **Career progression available in each segment**
- **Progression varies**
- **Cross-training is critical**
- **Advancement must be timely to match employee development**
- **Career goals**





# Internships, Mentoring, and Shadowing

- Internships
  - Supervised practical training
- Mentoring
  - Someone assigned to show you the ropes
- Shadowing
  - Gain familiarity with a particular job or jobs



# Resumes

- Good resume is a must
- Should include:
  - Heading with contact information
  - Career objective
  - Career experience
  - Accomplishments
  - Education
  - References
- Cover letter
- Academic record
- Extracurricular activities