



Alaska Geographic

Arrival and Logistics

Arrival

Beginning at 6:00 p.m., the Alaska Geographic guide will greet you at the Murie Science and Learning Center (MSLC) for check-in. Your course begins at 6:30pm. The first evening will not include dinner.

Directions, Parking Area and Meeting Location

The entrance to Denali National Park is located at Mile 237 of the George Parks Highway. Follow the Park Road for approximately 1 mile to a roundabout. The first turn off the roundabout leads to the MSLC; **however**, because you will be parking overnight, **we ask that you park in the overnight parking section at the Visitor Center parking lot – lots 4 and 5**. To get to these lots, take the second turn off the roundabout toward the “Visitor Center Campus”. You will see a sign for parking that points RVs to the left and automobiles to the right. **Turn left toward RV parking – lots 4 and 5**. Overnight parking is available around the perimeter of these lots.

Please leave your bags and packs in your vehicle. We will load directly into the Alaska Geographic van in the parking lot after our initial meeting in the MSLC. To get to the MSLC from this lot, walk toward the Visitor Center (back toward the automobile parking section). Just before the automobile parking area, you will see a crosswalk. Follow the dinosaur footprints to the MSLC. It is about a five minute walk. **Please refer to the parking map on the next page.**

Your Denali Visit & Your Expectations

Alaska Geographic field courses are designed to immerse participants in a particular subject area. Course activities and destinations in the park are chosen to enhance the course content rather than to focus on sightseeing. **If you are interested in seeing more of the park, please add extra time into your itinerary either before or after the course. Exploration along the park road is available through the shuttle bus system.** We particularly encourage first time visitors to plan for extra time, especially if this is a “once in a lifetime” trip.

The field course cost does not include the national park entrance fee. If you do not have an annual pass, you may purchase a 7 day [entrance pass online](#) or when you arrive in Denali. You will need to show your pass when you check in.

Insurance and Liability

Participants should have their own health and accident insurance. Also please consider travel insurance in case you have to cancel your trip due to illness or injury. All participants need to read and [sign Alaska Geographic's waiver and complete the emergency contact and medical form](#). Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We all play a role in safety and risk management. Please review our risk management page for additional information at <https://www.akgeo.org/risk-management/>.

Important Phone Numbers

General Course Information: 907-771-8485 or courses@akgeo.org

On call emergency contact number while course is in the field: 907-771-8495

Note: During the course **participants will not have cell phone coverage or phone access.**

