

Benjamin Weber

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Education:

University of Wisconsin- Madison | *Bachelor of Science, Cumulative GPA 3.004* Madison, WI
Major: B.S., Philosophy August '16- May '20

Work Experience:

Colorado Fourteeners Initiative | Non-Profit Government Subcontractor Twin Lakes, CO
Trail Construction Crew Member—Backcountry Drystone Mason (40 hrs/wk.) May '23-Oct '23
May '24- Oct '24

- Crew Member 2024 on backcountry drystone masonry solo and group projects including the above varieties of stone structures and tools, with the addition of digging new tread for trail reroute.
- Crew Member 2023 on backcountry drystone masonry solo and group projects including backwall, riprap, staircases, gargoyles, and other varieties of walls and structures with and without the use of rigging equipment and hand tools (rock bars, pickmattocks, single and double jack hammers, and shaping tools).
- Supervisor: Miriam Venman-Clay-- Phone Number (719)293-5920

Baxter State Park Authority | Baxter State Park, Maine Millinocket, ME
Trail Crew Member- Laborer (40 hrs./wk.) May '22-Oct '22

- Trail Crew member for trail maintenance including Chainsaw Bucking Class A work (chainsaw certified) as well as backcountry drystone masonry (rigging equipment, stepping stones, natural stone staircases, riprap, retaining wall, water bar construction—course instruction by Lester Kenway) and bridge building for both footbridges and bog bridging. Workweeks consisting of four days either backpacking or off grid, followed by three-day weekend off grid in the park.
- Supervisor: Brennan Turner- Phone number (207)731-7172

U.S. Forest Service | Salmon- Challis National Forest/ Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness
Forestry Technician (Wilderness/ Backcountry Trails—GS-4) (41 hrs./wk.) North Fork, ID
May '21- Oct '21

- Wilderness Trail Crew member on elite backcountry trail maintenance including Sawyer Class A work (crosscut saw certified) as well as tread digging and bushwhacking for trail accessibility and safety. Hitches consisting of eight-day backpacking trips on shift followed by six days off hitch in semi-remote area.
- SPUR monitoring data collection (Solitude, Primitive, Unrefined Recreation)
- Assisted in medical evacuation from backcountry wilderness (2x)
- Supervisor: Harrison Stone- Phone number (336)455-3098

Summit Climbing, Yoga, and Fitness Fort Worth, TX
Representative and Desk Staff Jan '21- May '21
Assistant Store Manager Jan '22- April '22

International Time Psychology Network | ITPN/Danish International House Copenhagen, DK
Research Assistant Jan '18- Dec '19

- Transcribe a series of interviews conducting regarding immigration and time perspective (the way we live in time) in a cross-cultural comparison analyzing ways to effects dovetail these lifestyle contrasts more manageably, on the individual scale; Support from Danish

International House; Lead researcher- Anna Sircova, Ph.D.; chapter published in *Balanced Time Perspective: Developing Empirical Profile and Exploring Its Stability over Time*.

- Contribute to a project investigating the effects of pandemics, particularly COVID-19, on perspectives of future and personal attitudes towards future, with further consideration to the effects of pandemics on the way by which people tend to project their thought into the future.

Extracurricular Experience and Leadership:

World Wide Organization of Organic Farmers | Independent Volunteer Project Zweilutschinnen, Switzerland Feb. '24- Mar. '24

- Three weeks in an off-grid, self-sustaining property in the Alps helping with necessary projects and chores around the property including feeding the goats, chickens, and turkeys, helping to build a rain gutter from logs felled on the property, and excavating and constructing the majority of a greenhouse using stones and abandoned glass found on the property.

Freya Foundation | Conservation Non-Profit Org. Portal Canadon Pinturas, Patagonia Argentine
Trail Crew Member Jan. '24- Feb. '24

- Six-week term of volunteer trail construction (digging tread) in the Patagonian steppe of Las Pampas by the Cave of the Hands UNESCO World Heritage Site. Some rock work was included in the duration of the project, including a fifteen-step staircase.

Undergraduate Journal of Psychology | Private journal Psychology Journal
Paper Author (Accepted for publication) Jun. '21

- Undergoing revision and editing process for final publication copy of meta-study data analysis (pending publication and revision) regarding neurophysiological correlates to experiences of a variety of meditative practices. Work under faculty advising of University of Wisconsin-Madison Eastern Studies professor as sole author.

PhilPapers Publication | Philpapers Online Philosophy Journal
Manuscript Author (Published) Jun. '20

- Non-Professional publication of a philosophy manuscript on the acquisition of languages beyond native language; draws on work from both philosophy of language as well as linguistic anthropology.

Astronomy Department at University | University of Wisconsin- Madison Madison, WI
Assistant Researcher, Co-Author (Published) Jan '18- Jun '18

- Help organize and conduct research into the methodology used for localization of dark matter since the discovery of Saturn's rings, including finding both primary and secondary literature, with meta-analysis and cross-reference of results.
- Work with one other researcher (university professor) for a collaborative paper published in the *Journal of Astronomical History and Heritage* 2018.

Madison Artists' Division Cooperative | M.A.D. Co-op Madison, WI
Team Member Nov '16- Aug '21

- Participate in organizing events for musicians, artisans, and artists of any kind for a non-profit organization
- Provide supplies and move materials when necessary.

Certificates: WFR (Wilderness First Responder) (2023)

WAFA (Wilderness Advanced First Aid) (2022)

CPR/AED/First Aid (2021), Sawyer Class A Bucking- Crosscut (2021)/Chainsaw (2022),

Additional Trainings: State of Maine Wildfire Fighting (2022), Bear Spray Training (2021)

Outdoors: Month long dispersed camping trip from Wisconsin to Montana and back (in charge of finding camp sites, planning hikes, etc.); rock climbing with small groups in Madison, WI; indefinite dispersed camping trip through the continental United States (2019-ongoing); extensive experience in wilderness and backcountry backpacking/ hiking and camping, above and below 7000 feet, including finding water sources; experience with handheld GPS navigation devices, solo weekend camping trip in Patagonia Argentina.

Technical Skills: Microsoft office, experience with Overleaf, Canvas, Google Programs, extensive backcountry and wilderness experience (assisted in medical evacuation from backcountry wilderness in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness in Idaho twice and front country assist in San Isabel National Forest)

Language Skills: English (fluent), Spanish (Comfortable Conversational), Hebrew (Intermediate), German (basic)