Castner Glacier Snowshoe

April 17th, 2021 | Students: $30, Faculty/Staff: $40

Saturday, April 17th

7:00am Meet in the Outdoor Adventures, gear up, and depart

11:00am Arrive at trailhead, start hike to glacier

12:30pm Eat lunch

3:00pm Return to vehicles and head back to Fairbanks

7:00pm Return to Outdoor Adventures

**Trip description**:

We will be exploring the toe of the Castner Glacier in the Eastern Alaska Range. There is a beautiful ice cave about 1.5 miles off the road which we will visit. We will be snowshoeing up to the glacier, so be ready for a fun day of hiking. Bring your sturdy and broken in winter hiking boots and a positive attitude. The views are breathtaking and make the hike up to the glacier well worth it. Be ready for colder conditions and lots of snow!

**Pack list:**

**Sturdy winter boots (OA can provide mountain boots)**

**Snowshoes**

Wool socks

**Trekking Poles** (Optional)

**Gaiters** (Optional)

Daypack - to carry food, water, and extra clothes for the day

Synthetic or wool base layers (top and bottom)

Fleece shirt or wool sweater (NO COTTON)

Water/wind proof rain jacket

Water/wind proof pants (rain pants or light snow pants)

Puffy Jacket

Hat and gloves

Sunglasses are mandatory (it will be really bright in the snow in April)

2 – Liter water bottles

Lunch and snacks for a long day

**Items in Bold Face are available from Outdoor Adventures for free use on our trips!**

**Refund Policy:** Payment in full is required to sign up for a trip. A 100% refund is available if you notify the Outdoor Adventures Office of the cancellation more than two weeks (14 days) before the first day of the trip. Cancellation one week to 3 days (13 to 3 days) before the trip entitles the participant to a 50% refund. No refund is provided if the participant does not show up or cancels 2 days prior to the trip.

**Safety and Risk Management:** Due to the nature of outdoor travel there are certain inherent risks in all of Outdoor Adventure’s trips. Acceptable risks include but are not limited to; hiking over rough uneven terrain with a backpack on, hiking up and down steep inclines with icy, muddy and loose footing, crossing frozen creeks, having wet feet and clothing, wildlife encounters, and sharp, loose rocks in the glacial moraine. Conditions may include below freezing temperatures, snowstorms, rain, sleet and high winds. Driving risks may include slick roads, poor visibility and wildlife. Alaska is a wild place - you need to take ultimate responsibility for your own safety as only you can. For your protection we require you to carry health insurance. You can purchase insurance for $2.60/day from the University (ask for details). All info is subject to change due to safety, weather, current conditions, etc.!