

Untamed Alaska

August 20-30, 2023

11 days for \$7,497 total price from Fort Myers

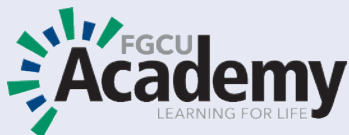
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**A Special Small Group Tour
for FGCU Academy**



Dear Friends,

Travel with us on a special 11-day small group journey that reveals America’s “Last Frontier,” taking us into the heart of some of Alaska’s beautiful and wild country, as well as to its engaging cities.

Set out by deluxe railcar to encounter Denali National Park’s stunning wilderness during a three-night stay. Revel in mountain views, hike through the tundra, and visit an Iditarod sled dog kennel. A breathtaking prop plane flight brings us deep into remote Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, America’s largest national park, where we take a singular excursion to walk on Root Glacier and explore the once-booming copper mining town of Kennicott. Tour Anchorage’s historic downtown, then visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, home to bears, moose, elk, lynx, and more. In picturesque Seward, embark on a cruise to explore rugged Kenai Fjords National Park. Our adventure concludes back in Anchorage with a dynamic Native Games demonstration and time for independent exploration.

We are pleased to be traveling with alumni and friends from Arizona State University. Space on this exciting program is limited and will fill quickly. Your deposit is fully refundable up until 95 days before departure. Book risk-free today!

Sincerely,

John Guerra
Director, FGCU Academy

FGCU RESERVATION FORM: UNTAMED ALASKA

To reserve your place on tour, **please call FGCU Academy at 239-434-4838, or e-mail jguerra@fgcu.edu.** Please have the information outlined below available to share with an FGCU Academy representative.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to FGCU Academy’s office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: **FGCU Academy**
Attn: John Guerra
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I/We would like to request _____ place(s). (Deposit amount is \$500 per person.)

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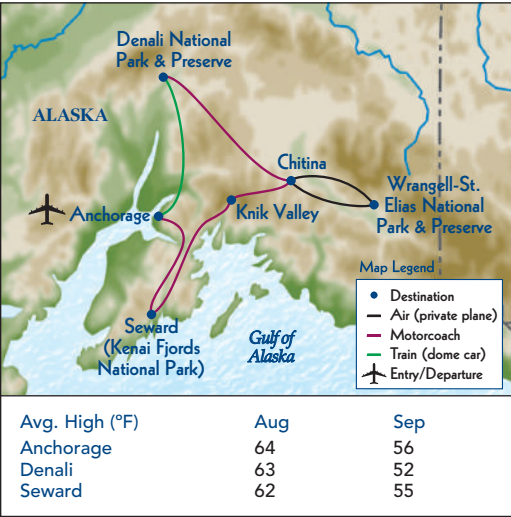
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Awe-inspiring natural beauty and outdoor adventure await as we explore Alaska's varied landscapes and noteworthy cities. From Denali, Wrangell-St. Elias, and Kenai Fjords national parks to the energy of Anchorage and scenic Seward, our small group encounters the breadth and beauty of America's Last Frontier.



Day 1: Depart for Anchorage, Alaska We depart today for Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. Upon arrival, we check in to our centrally located hotel then have time to explore on our own. As guests' arrival times may vary, we have no group activities or meals planned.

Day 2: Anchorage/Denali National Park This morning we meet our Tour Director and fellow travelers at a welcome briefing about the journey ahead. Then we depart by motorcoach for Denali National Park and Preserve, Alaska's – and America's – true Last Frontier. We first travel to Talkeetna, where we board a deluxe domed railcar that provides us with panoramic views on the four-hour journey. Upon arrival in Denali late this afternoon, we enjoy a special interpretive presentation. *B,D*

Day 3: Denali National Park It's a day of extreme beauty as we encounter Denali National Park up close. This six-million-acre preserve comprises forests, alpine tundra, and snow-covered mountains. We begin our full day of touring as we board a Denali bus for the drive along the lone road deep into the park. Stopping at the Eielson Visitor Center, we may see, weather permitting, one of the most dramatic views of grand Denali, North America's tallest peak standing at more than 20,000 feet. Throughout our journey, a local naturalist and our driver-guide will share stories about the park and its historic characters. After stopping for a box lunch, we set out on an easy hike through the park's tundra, keeping our eyes peeled for grizzly bear, moose, caribou, and the iconic Dall sheep. *B,L*

Day 4: Denali National Park Today we enjoy an authentic Alaska experience as we visit a local Iditarod sled dog kennel. Covering 1,000 miles of some of the roughest terrain in the world, the grueling Iditarod draws nearly 100 mushers and their dog teams annually. Here we learn about the history of the race and meet the kennel's Husky puppies. We return

Small Group Tour Highlights

Scenic Denali National Park tour and hike • Visit to an Iditarod sled dog kennel • Remote Wrangell-St. Elias National Park • Copper mining town of Kennicott • Root Glacier hike • Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center tour • Kenai Fjords National Park cruise • Anchorage city tour • Cultural demonstrations at Alaska Native Heritage Center • Stays at distinctive lodges

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart for Anchorage	Anchorage Marriott Downtown	First Class
2-4	Denali National Park	Denali Park Village Lodge	First Class
5-6	Kennicott (Wrangell-St. Elias Nat'l Park)	Kennicott Glacier Lodge	First Class
7	Knik Valley	Knik River Lodge	First Class
8-9	Seward	Seward Windsong Lodge	First Class
10	Anchorage	Anchorage Marriott Downtown	First Class
11	Depart Anchorage		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.



We see glaciers, wildlife, and marine life on a cruise to explore rugged Kenai Fjords National Park on Day 9.

to the lodge for lunch followed by an afternoon at leisure, perhaps to do some hiking or take an optional rafting excursion. This evening we reconvene for dinner and a lively show at the Denali Dinner Theater. *B,D*

Day 5: Denali National Park/Wrangell-St. Elias National Park We depart Denali by motorcoach this morning for the day-long journey to remote Chitina (pop. 126!). Here we board a prop plane for the scenic flight deep into Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, at 8.3 million acres the largest national park in the United States. Our destination: the historic copper mining towns of Kennicott/McCarthy. During our 30-minute flight, we get our first views of the park's rugged wilderness, including pristine glaciers, volcanoes, and mountains. Upon landing, we transfer to our lodge in the heart of Wrangell-St. Elias, surrounded by 14 of the highest mountain peaks in North America. We dine tonight at our lodge, the only one in Kennicott. *B,L,D*

Day 6: Wrangell-St. Elias National Park Home to more than 150 glaciers, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park contains the largest collection of these ice masses in North America. We see one of these glaciers up close today on our singular half-day hike to Root Glacier. After being fitted with crampons, we begin our two-mile excursion to the glacier and behold the natural beauty before us: unspoiled icefields, blue pools, cascading waterfalls, deep canyons. We eat a sack lunch in the wild then return to

our lodge for an afternoon at leisure. Tonight, we enjoy dinner together at our lodge. *B,L,D*

Day 7: Wrangell-St. Elias National Park/ Knik Valley This morning, we explore Kennicott, a National Historic Landmark District. Established in 1903, Kennicott was once a bustling mining camp until the ore was depleted in 1938. Our tour takes in the 14-story concentration mill and other historic mining buildings. This afternoon we board a prop plane for the return flight to Chitina, where we then board a motorcoach for the four-hour drive to our European-style lodge in pristine wilderness. We dine together tonight at our lodge. *B,L,D*

Day 8: Knik Valley/Anchorage/Seward Late this morning we journey by coach to the coastal town of Seward. En route, we stop for a city tour of Anchorage, beginning at Lake Hood, the largest and busiest seaplane base in the world. We also explore the city's historic downtown, including Old City Hall and the Wendler Building, a popular women's-only bar from the 1940s and '50s. After time for lunch on our own in this city known for its fresh local seafood, we continue on to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving Alaska's wildlife. With 200 acres of spacious enclosures, the center offers an opportunity to see injured or orphaned bears, moose, elk, lynx, caribou, and more display their natural behavior. We then



THE WANDERLUST
HAS GOT ME ... BY THE
BELLY-ACHING FIRE.”

— ROBERT W. SERVICE

continue on to Seward and our hotel nestled in the Exit Glacier Valley. *B,D*

Day 9: Seward One of Alaska’s most scenic communities, Seward features a bustling harbor, inviting shops, and plenty of outdoor activities. The city also serves as the gateway to Kenai Fjords National Park, a 600,000-acre preserve comprising long fjords, primeval glaciers, and tranquil bays and coves. We explore this rugged park today on a glacier and wildlife cruise. On board, we get up close to one of Kenai’s many glaciers and keep an eye out for some of the park’s diverse array of mammals and marine life. We enjoy lunch onboard before returning to Seward, where the remainder of the day is free for independent exploration and dinner on our own. *B,L*



Taking a dip ...

Then we have lunch on our own and the afternoon at leisure to explore the city. Tonight, we celebrate our journey through Alaska at a farewell dinner. *B,D*

Day 11: Depart Anchorage We transfer this morning to the Anchorage airport for our flights home. *B*

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 10 nights’ accommodations in First Class hotels
- 22 meals: 10 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 7 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



Colorful buildings overlook Seward’s harbor.

Tour Departs: August 20, 2023

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Seattle	\$6,697
Chicago, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland, San Francisco	\$6,997
Baltimore, Denver, Houston, Miami, Minneapolis	\$7,197
Atlanta, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Dallas, Tampa, Washington D.C	\$7,297
Boston, Cleveland, Detroit, Fort Myers, New York, Orlando, Philadelphia	\$7,497
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$6,095

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$102, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,695. Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days from departure. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Depending on flight schedules, certain cities may require an overnight flight on the return, with the arrival home the following day.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain and in a natural environment. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

For information and reservations, please contact John Guerra at FGCU Academy at (239) 434-4838 or e-mail jguerra@fgcu.edu

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; optional sightseeing, gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 days or more before departure: full refund; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29% of tour price before departure: no refund.** If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, no change as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.**

Responsibility-Tour Participation Contract – IMPORTANT: FCGU Academy does not provide travel services or act as the agent of any provider of travel services. The liability of Florida Gulf Coast University, as a sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as a tour operator, is strictly limited. FCGU Academy is not responsible or liable for any of the services provided for by Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. or any other travel agency, or for any of the services of hotels, motorcoaches, trains, vessels, aircraft, or other forms of transportation that may be used in connection with the tour. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. All arrangements for transport, accommodations, and services are made upon the express condition that FCGU Academy, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and their affiliates shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, consequential, or incidental damage, injury, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity of any kind occasioned by reason of any act or omission beyond their control, including, without limitation, any act of negligence or breach of contract of any third party such as an airline, cruise line, train, hotel, restaurant, tour operator/supplier, ground handler, etc., including their employees, agents, servants, or representatives, who is to or does supply any goods or services to the tour. Without limiting the foregoing, FCGU Academy, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and their affiliates are not responsible for any losses or expenses due to delay or changes in schedule, overbooking of accommodations, default of any third parties, sickness, weather, strikes, acts of God, acts of terrorism, war, quarantine, criminal activity, the defect of any vehicle, or for any other cause beyond their control. FCGU Academy reserves the right to change the itinerary of the tour, or to substitute similar quality hotels or airlines without prior notice. If the tour is cancelled by FCGU Academy for any reason, FCGU Academy, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and their affiliates shall have no liability beyond the refund of all tour participant deposits received by them, net of any and all expenses due to suppliers and the airline refund policies. FCGU Academy, in its sole discretion, may increase the tour price in the event costs increase. FCGU Academy may decline to accept or retain any tour participant as a participant on the tour at any time. Airline tickets may be sold in conjunction with the services of any airline. The passenger tickets in use by the carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the carriers and the passenger. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, FCGU Academy and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation or changes to this tour. The parties agree that Ft. Myers (Lee County) in the state of Florida shall be the venue for any disputes arising out of this tour.

A signed FCGU General Release and Waiver Agreement is required from each participant prior to departure.

Medical Conditions: If you or a member of your party suffer from any physical challenge or medical condition, you must check with your doctor about the advisability of traveling abroad and make this known to us before you book. We will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants, but are not responsible for denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, and other independent suppliers. **Smoking:** Smoking is NOT permitted in the hotels, on motorcoaches, or on other modes of transport used by the group.

Air Transportation – Important Information: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. **Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**

COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols: The wellbeing of our guests and staff members on tour will continue to be our highest priorities. To maintain a healthy environment for travel, we will be establishing and adhering to a detailed set of health and safety protocols for all facets of your tour. We are committed to following the guidelines of the State Department, CDC, WHO, and authorities of respective countries regarding travel to a particular destination. Detailed protocols for this tour, based on conditions at the time, will be provided to you prior to your departure.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Knik River Lodge <https://hiknriverlodge.com/>

Surrounded by the Chugach Mountains, this lodge boasts incredible views of the Knik River valley, which serves as a habitat for moose, Dall sheep, wolves, lynx, bears, and more. The lodge has a restaurant and offers complimentary Wi-Fi internet access. Each of the 22 guest cabins has a private bath with hair dryer, private deck, kitchenette with mini-fridge, microwave, and tea-and-coffee-making facilities.

Seward Windsong Lodge <http://www.alaskacollection.com/>

The Seward Windsong Lodge sits along the Resurrection River, just a short drive from downtown Seward. From the deck of the lodge's restaurant, guests are afforded a peaceful escape with views of the surrounding glacial river, mountains, and forests. Lodge amenities include a restaurant, bar, espresso bar, and complimentary Wi-Fi internet access. The hotel also provides shuttles to nearby Seward for guests interested in exploring the town. Each guest room has a private bath with hair dryer, coffee maker, TV, and phone. Note that there is no elevator.

Anchorage Marriott Downtown <http://www.marriott.com/>

Centrally located in downtown Anchorage, this hotel sits just steps from local shopping and dining, the Anchorage Museum, and the Performing Arts Center, and offers views of downtown, the Chugach Mountain Range, and Cook Inlet. Hotel amenities include a restaurant, bar, café, fitness center, indoor pool, laundry and dry-cleaning services (for a fee), and complimentary Wi-Fi internet access. Each air-conditioned guest room features a private bath with hair dryer, coffee maker, tea service, TV, and phone.

Denali Park Village Lodge <http://www.denaliparkvillage.com/>

The Denali Park Village Lodge is nestled into a bend on the banks of the Nenana River, just seven miles south of the entrance to Denali National Park & Preserve. The wood-and-stone lodge is spread across 20 acres and offers light hiking and interpretive trails throughout the property, lobby with fireplace and outdoor seating area overlooking the wilderness, a restaurant, bar and lounge, gift shop, complimentary Wi-Fi internet access, and complimentary area shuttles. Each air-conditioned guest room features a private bath with hair dryer, coffee maker, TV, and phone. **Please note:** Of the lodge's seven two-story buildings, only one has an elevator.

Kemintcott Glacier Lodge <http://www.kemintcottlodge.com/>

This family-owned lodge offers guests gracious hospitality and breathtaking Alaskan scenery with views of the Kemintcott Glacier, Mount Blackburn, and the Chugach Mountains. A replica of one of the nearby historic copper-mining buildings, Kemintcott Glacier Lodge sits in the heart of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and features a 190-foot-long front porch with panoramic views of the mountains, as well as a restaurant, reading/family room, TV/gathering room, complimentary Wi-Fi internet access (in the main lodge building), and plenty of outdoor activities. Because of the 43 spacious guest rooms features a private bath. **Please note:** Because of the rustic nature of this hotel, there is no elevator, guest rooms do not have phones or TVs, and hair dryers are available at the front desk. There are electrical outlets to charge your devices.



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