

Wind River Indian Reservation

The 1.7+ million-acre Wind River Indian Reservation, established in 1864 through the Bridger-Teton Treaty with the U.S. government, is home to the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho tribes. There are 23,250 inhabitants at the reservation.

Ft. Washakie was named to honor the Shoshone Chief Washakie in 1878 and served as a military post until 1909. A government school and hospital functioned for many years east of Fort Washakie and children were sent there to board during the school year. The village of Arapahoe was originally established as a sub-agency to distribute rations to the Arapahoe and at one time had a large trading post. In 1906 a portion of the reservation was ceded to white settlement and Riverton evolved on some of this land.

Traditional Indian dancing, music, food and camaraderie characterize the pow wows on the reservation. There is a pow wow almost every weekend.

Enjoy Your Experience



By the way ~ Skiing at Jackson Hole is only 3 hours away!



Lander, Wyoming
Wants You

Students:

Two days each week will be spent at the IHS Clinics in Ft. Washakie and Arapahoe. Housing will be in Lander to better allow the student to participate in this vibrant young community.

A car is mandatory for this rotation, as it will require some travel to the 2 clinics at the reservation. Inpatient care is based at Lander Valley Medical Center.



Lander, Wyoming

WRITE Site

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Any Student participating in a Wyoming WRITE Site
Will Receive a \$4000.00 Scholarship!!



Clinic: You will see patients with a faculty physician at both IHS clinics and physician practices in Lander. You will be expected to see the patient and independently provide assessment and manage the patient. During your WRITE experience you will follow the development of newborns and manage a wide variety of disease processes. You will work with the pediatric group in Lander as well as two IM physicians who are WWAMI graduates. They do primary care IM and are hospitalists. There is also the opportunity to go on home visits with the social worker and/or public health nurses on the Wind River Indian Reservation.

Hospital: Lander Valley Medical Center opened in its present location in 1983. It is a progressive medical facility catering to a diverse community. Many factors contribute to making Lander Valley Medical Center stand out among other similar-sized hospitals: a dedicated staff that serves a number of specialized units including a full-time Level II emergency room, Level II nursery and a behavioral health program; state-of-the-art medical equipment such as a Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) unit and a Stereotactic Breast Biopsy unit.



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Near the foothills of the eastern slopes of the Wind River Mountains, the eclectic city of Lander is a blend of the Old West and the New West. While the area's roots are in agriculture, recreation is a major industry due to the city's proximity to the Wind River Mountains. The City of Lander is home of the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) www.nols.edu. Also, Lander's relatively mild climate has made the area popular with "active" retirees. Lander has been recognized as one of the Best Small Towns in America by the book of the same name, and National Geographic Traveler magazine called nearby Sinks Canyon State Park one of the nation's top 50 state parks. Men's Journal heaped deserving praise on the community by naming Lander as one of the Top 25 Coolest Mountain Towns in the country.

