2026 Ski Spectacular Instructor Academy Curriculum
December 1 - 3: Online
December 7- 11: Breckenridge, Colorado

Legend
General Session: All comers welcome!
60 Minute Mentor Series: All are welcome!
Entry Portal: All are welcome no matters years of experience or certification
Intermediate Zone: 3+ seasons teaching topic. May or may not be certified
Advanced Zone: Certified in topic and/or 8+years teaching topic
Trainer's Zone: Current trainer or apprentice trainer at program or school and 8+ years teaching adaptive

Clinic Times	Clinic Fees			
60 Minute Mentor:	Type of Clinic	Online Pre-Registration	On-Site Registration	PSIA-AASI CEUs
8:00am - 9:00am or	2.5 hr Half Day (Virtual or On-Snow)	$72.00	$72.00	3
4:30 - 5:30pm	5 hr All Day	$144.00	$144.00	6
***exceptions on 12/8**	2 Day Workshop	$288.00	$288.00	12
AM: 9:30am - 12:00pm	4 Day Workshop	$576.00	$576.00	24
PM: 1:30pm - 4:00pm	60 Minute Mentor Session	Free		1
All Day:				
9:30am - 12:00pm &				
1:30pm - 4:00pm				

Partial enrollment in multi-day workshops is not permitted
Presenters will adhere to prerequisites and topic for value/service to attendees
Attendees will be asked to leave if they do not meet the minimum skill level for the course
Most on snow clinics have 10 participants max

Pre-Event
Tuesday, December 1

Time	Title	Clinician	Description	Requirements
~~7:00pm - 9:30pm ET~~ ~~6:00pm - 8:30pm CT~~ ~~5:00pm - 7:30pm MT~~ ~~4:00pm - 6:30pm PT~~	Canceled ~~SSIA Online: Exceptional Communication with Non-speakers in Snowsports Lessons~~ ~~Discipline: N/A~~ ~~Location: Virtual~~	~~Beth Fox & Scott Giffin~~	~~Effective communication between non-speaking lesson guests and instructors is a key to understanding the needs and desires of snowsports lesson participants and provides a base for creating trust and rapport between them. This clinic will explore communication assessment, portable communication devices, and selection of the most effect device or system for information exchange between guest and instructor in snowsports lessons.~~ ~~Companion Clinic(s): Practical Application of Communication Systems for Non-speakers in Snowsports Lessons~~	~~Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Experience Teaching Snowsports Lessons~~

Pre-Event
Wednesday, December 2

Time	Title	Clinician	Description	Requirements

7:00pm - 8:30pm ET 6:00pm - 7:30pm CT 5:00pm - 6:30pm MT 4:00pm - 5:30pm PT	SSIA Online: Attorney Insights for Program Safety	Dave Byrd	In this hour and a half webinar, an attorneys will field questions from attendees and provide an update on the current legal environment facing ski areas and trends in industry litigation. Dave Byrd from the National Ski Areas Association will provide the legal landscape impacting the ski industry, and importantly, provide attendees an opportunity to pose questions or unique scenarios. Companion Clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series sessions.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Interest in ADA applications to services in snowsports.
Pre-Event **Thursday, December 3**				
Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
~~7:00pm - 9:30pm ET~~ ~~6:00pm - 8:30pm CT~~ ~~5:00pm - 7:30pm MT~~ ~~4:00pm - 6:30pm PT~~	~~SSIA Online: Compelling Coaching~~	~~Ann Pappenfuss Wing~~	~~What if the words we use with our students could help them become better athletes? What if we could simplify our coaching techniques and get better results? Studies have shown that the words we use to teach our students can have a powerful impact on their mindset and performance. Learn to use some of these techniques in this fast-paced, interactive webinar and see real results when they are applied in lessons this season.~~ ~~Companion Clinic(s): Teacher Exchange, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM~~	~~Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Interest in ADA applications to services in snowsports.~~
Sunday, December 6				
Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM MT	SSIA: 60 + 30 Minute Mentor Series - Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance	Kendra Betz	The sit skier is the MVP on the team involved in supporting their success on the mountain. Whether an elite competitor, a novice participant, or somewhere in between, the skier always benefits from a collaborative, strategic, and personalized team approach. When it comes to adaptive ski equipment, professionals involved often include coaches, adaptive instructors, clinicians such as therapists and doctors, equipment manufacturers, and support organization personnel. This session will highlight actual case examples that emphasize positive outcomes when a sit skier is prioritized at the center of their collaborative team while their unique needs are addressed for their ski-equipment set up. MVP skiers and members of their support teams will share how they collaborate and communicate to create magic on the mountain in adaptive ski equipment. Learn to Ski instructors, Race Coaches, Adaptive Academy registrants, skiers, and all involved professionals and family are invited to attend this engaging session to better understand the fundamentals of sit ski equipment selection, set-up, and customization needed for a great skiing experience! **This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved.**	Minimum skills required for attendance: Experience teaching snowsports lessons.
Monday, December 7				
Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
8:00 AM - 9: 00 AM	SSIA: 60 Minute Mentor Series: Fear, Confidence and Returning to Sport After Trauma	Dale Rennard	A practical workshop exploring psychological barriers, rebuilding confidence and the role community plays in recovery and progression. Companion Clinic(s): All 60 Minute Mentor Sessions	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: None

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Monoski Levels 1-4	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendee must have at least Level 7 skiing skills, monoskiing knowledge, ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.
8:30 AM - 12:00 OPM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Biski Levels 1-4	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendee must have at least Level 7 skiing skills, biskiing knowledge, ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Class Inclusion Lesson – Monoski Level 1	Lesson Instructor	Immerse yourself in this class lesson for new monoskiers. Enjoy all the benefits of learning to monoski with group think and interaction between class members with or without disabilities and the lesson instructor. This challenging and fun experience will help you learn to biski while understanding a framework for class lessons and the huge benefit they offer for all involved. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:30 AM, check-in with Kathy Chandler, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign le of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): Breaking Out of the Beginner Zone for Monoskiers, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must have the upper body strength to independently use hand-held outriggers while biskiing on flat and slight sloped entry level terrain and rise from a fall with little assistance. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Class Inclusion Lesson – Hand-held Outrigger Biski Level 1	Lesson Instructor	Immerse yourself in this class lesson for new biskiers. Enjoy all the benefits of learning to biski with handheld outriggers with group think and interaction between class members with or without disabilities and the lesson instructor. This challenging and fun experience will help you learn to biski while understanding a framework for class lessons and the huge benefit they offer for all involved. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:30 AM, check-in with Kathy Chandler, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must have the upper body strength to independently use hand-held outriggers while monoskiing on flat and slightly sloped entry level terrain and rise from a fall with little assistance. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
8:45 AM - 12: 15 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Lesson Observation – PSIA/AASI's Teaching and People Skills	Charley Phelan	Describer: Learn about the implementation of PSIA/AASI's Teaching and People Skills during observation (watch and listen via Bluetooth audio) of an adaptive lesson taught by a top-notch certified instructor while gaining additional insights from the group facilitator. A short wrap-up with the lesson instructor at the end of the mornings' lesson will complete this session. Riders and Skiers welcome. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:45 AM, check-in with the clinic leader, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. **This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved.** Companion Clinic(s): All Authentic Experience sessions offered Monday-Thursday in morning timeslot.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Possess at least Level 7 skiing/riding skills, ability to quietly observe the lesson, move at the rate of the observation group following the lesson, and at least base knowledge of PSIA/AASI Teaching and People Skills.

9:30 AM -12:00 PM	SSIA: Get In and Go: TetraSki	Russ McDonald/Morgan McCleary	Spend time in the TetraSki during this experiential on-snow session to learn about how this sit-down device can be an amazing option for guests with various medical diagnoses and needs. The TetraSki utilizes break-through technology of the hand or breath activated Universal Controller to support greater independence in snow skiing by people with complex physical or cognitive diagnoses. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in TetraSkis in this session. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Get in and Go: SnowKart, 12/7/2026, 1:30 PM; and 12/9/2026 9:30 AM.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills. Attendees using the TetraSki may not exceed 250 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Kick Start	Scott Giffin	Kick start your season by making turns on green and easy blue terrain while receiving feedback on your skiing and how your equipment may be affecting your performance. Take-aways will include insight about your application of the Fundamental Mechanics of Alpine Skiing and specific information you'll be able to use all winter to improve the effectiveness of your movements to meet your skiing performance goals. Companion Clinic(s): Movement Analysis Magic, Tuesday, 12/9/2025, 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM or Thursday, 12/11/2025, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Season Opener	Barbara Szwebel	Shake off the dust of summer in this fun skill polishing session for skiers in the upper Intermediate Zone looking for feedback on their movements, skill development tools for use all season, and smiles in an unintimidating atmosphere. This session will also explore the pros and cons of skiers' equipment. Companion Clinic(s): Movement Analysis in the Intermediate Zone, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; Thursday, 12/10/2026, 1:30-4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and comfort skiing on all blue terrain.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Bunny Hill Boredom	Trevor Hildebrand	Bunny hill boredom can de-motivate guests and instructors alike, but what's to do about it when this is the appropriate terrain? Attendees in this session will learn about and practice engaging skills-based games and activities appropriate to the learning hill environment that are sure to stave off boredom, support brain engagement, and generate smiles for new sliders of varying ages and diagnoses. Discussions will also occur to help instructors consider how to differently view and use the new learner area/terrain at their home mountains. Companion Clinic(s): Movement Analysis Magic, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM; and again Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and experience teaching snowsports lessons.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-day Workshop - Monoski: Assess, Equip, and Teach	Wayne Huang	Learn to teach beginner guests with various diagnoses to monoski in the Beginner/Green Zone. This comprehensive two-day workshop will also review seating assessments and fitting, lift loading and unloading, and hands-on assists and coaching to support learning and safe monoskiing experiences for learner and instructor. Plan to gain lots of experience in this active workshop. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in monoskis in this workshop. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Indoors: Sit Ski Selection & Set-Up: Key Simple Strategies Based on Guest Assessment, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30-4:00 PM; Breaking out of the Beginner Zone for Monoskiers, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM-12:00 PM; Thursday, 12/10/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and alpine ski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-Day Workshop- Biski: Progressive Teaching and Tethering	Geoff Krill	Participants in this 2-day workshop will review and practice physical assessment for equipment selection and seating set-up; practice skill development activities for maximum independence of biskiers with fixed, hand-held and mixed outriggers; and identify and practice activities to develop effective skidded or carved turns with and without support from a tetherer. This clinic is for experienced biski tetherers and instructors only. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in the bi-ski or tether in this workshop. Companion Clinic(s): Online: 60+ Minute Mentor Session: Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance, 2:30-4:00 PM Sunday, 12/6/26.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and intermediate level biski tethering experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-Day Workshop: Guiding and Teaching Skiers with Low or No Vision	Beth Fox	Trust, multi- faceted communication, partnership insight, and alpine skiing fundamentals are the basis for this two-day workshop. This immersive, active, and partner centric session offers experiential learning and solid skill building so instructor guides can provide safe and effective teaching and guiding during lessons for guests with low or no vision. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Blind Guiding Around the World: What Every Guide can Learn from International Practices, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM-4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and some Blind/Low Vision guiding and teaching experience.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM *Snowboard*	SSIA: Big Goals, Small Steps: Using MA as a Tool to Achieve Snowboard Skill Targets	Tera Adams	Learn how to create small, measurable goals and apply movement analysis practices to help snowboarders in adaptive lessons achieve big picture skills. Companion Clinic(s): All snowboard clinics	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 riding skills, confident riding easy blue terrain, and snowsports teaching experience.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: High Level Motor Skill Acquisition for Ski Instructors	Ryan Latham	Teaching advanced adaptive lessons can demand exceptional skiing skills by the instructor. This high intensity session will focus on motor skill acquisition by attendees to increase their margin for error and safety when skiing on the job. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): All Advanced Zone or appropriate Trainer sessions.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 8 or higher skiing skills and deeply experienced or certified instructor or trainer.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Fear Free Biski Tethering	Chad Biggerstaff	If you've been out of biski tethering for a time and want to re-engage or have some trepidation around tethering then join this session for concentrated hands-on practice tethering fixed outrigger biskis on Beginner Zone terrain. The session is ideal for people who have been biski lesson assistants and aspire to expand their skills or are re-entering the industry as a biski instructor after a sabbatical. Companion Clinic(s): Online: You Really Got a Hold on Me - Introduction to Adaptive Tethering, Thursday, 12/5/24 5:00 - 7:30 PM MT.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and exposure to biski tethering. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Elevate Independence: Tethering and Assists for Stand-up Guests	Michael Hunter	This session is all about setting up a partnership between guest and instructor for learning and performance that allows maximum independence to stand-up skiers or riders with or without adaptive equipment who have complex medical diagnoses, cognitive challenges, and progressive diseases. Attendees will explore a variety of hands-on and tethering assists and how these can positively or negatively affect a skier, assess CAP needs of guests to determine when, and where to implement and discontinue assists, and spend time developing skills to form nuanced and synchronous movements by both partners working in concert together for safe and effective progress down the trail. Tactical decisions, communication, coordination, trust, and respect are foundational to independence and success in this type of partnership. Skiers and riders welcome. Companion Clinic(s): Movement Analysis in the Moment - Intermediate Zone, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; and Thursday, 12/10/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding and Intermediate Zone experience tethering and providing hands-on assists to stand-up snowsports guests.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: What's My Inside Ski For?	Gates Lloyd	Many skiers focus and rely upon on the outside ski while skiing: tipping, bending and turning it. Attendees, and their guests, will benefit from a fuller understanding of how the inside ski contributes to tactics, control, and confidence at every level, in all conditions. Plan to experiment and vary habitual movement patterns. Companion clinic(s): Movement Analysis Magic, Tueday 12/8/2026 1:30 - 4:00 PM and Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Tips and Tools for Teaching Guests with Brain Injury	Scott Giffin	Become familiar with some possible characteristics of brain injury and their potential effects on guests with this diagnosis participating in snowsports lessons. Teaching tips and tools to accommodate the physical, cognitive, social, and emotional needs of these learners in ski or snowboard lessons will be addressed in this session. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): 2-Day Workshop: FUNdamentals of Adaptive Lessons for Neurodiverse Athletes, Wednesday - Thursday, 12/9-10/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Mountain Mentor	Trevor Hildebrand	Put some miles under your board(s) as you consider terrain like never before. Mountain topography can be our teacher, fun house, help shape ideas about safety and tactical navigation, and use as technical skill development tools. This enlightening session will help you view a variety of trail types and their terrain variations through a new lens that can serve as learning opportunities for all. Companion Clinic(s): Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function, Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Get In and Go: SnowKart	Russ McDonald/Morgan McCleary	Get into the SnowKart and go skiing during this on-snow session designed to help instructors learn about the mechanics of the device and better understand how it can be used as a viable alternative to other sit-down and stand-up equipment for lesson guests with various physical and cognitive diagnoses. This session will include skill development activities, practice skiing the Snow Kart, and information on safety procedures. Companion Clinic(s): Get in and Go:TetraSki, 12/7/2026, 9:30 AM and 12/9/2025 1:30 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills. Attendees using the SnowKart may not exceed 250 pounds body weight.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Kick Start	Barbara Szwebel	Kick start your season by making turns on green and easy blue terrain while receiving feedback on your skiing and how your equipment may be affecting your performance. Take-aways will include insight about your application of the Fundamental Mechanics of Alpine Skiing and specific information you'll be able to use all winter to improve the effectiveness of your movements to meet your skiing performance goals. Companion Clinic(s): Kick Start, Monday, 12/7/2026, 9:30 - 12:00 AM; Movement Analysis Magic, Tuesday, 12/9/2025, 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM or Thursday, 12/11/2025, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills.

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4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	SSIA 60 Minute Mentor Series: Risk Reduction in the Physical Environment On and Off Snow: Solutions Session		Navigating the dips and rolls, trips, and trolls that every base area and mountain hides in plain sight from instructors and guests alike can lead to injury, pain, and time away from work or recreation. Join this session to learn about and add to a solutions-based approach to risk reduction in your school. Companion Clinic(s): All 60 Minute Mentor Sessions	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: None
Tuesday, December 8				
Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
8:00 AM - 9: 00 AM	SSIA 60 Minute Mentor Series: Clear Communication with Families and Caregivers	Scott Giffin & Charley Phelan	Learn from master communicators about engaging in clear, concise, and productive conversations with families and caregivers of program participants. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): All other 60-Minute Mentor sessions	Minimum skills required for attendance: None
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Stand-up Physical Diagnoses Levels 1-4	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM *Snowboard*	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Stand-up Neurocognitive without Adaptive Equipment Levels 1-4	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM *Snowboard*	SSIA: Class Inclusion Lesson – Snowboard Level 3	Lesson Instructor	Immerse yourself in this class lesson for Level 3 snowboarders. Enjoy all the benefits of learning to snowboard with, and from, other class members who do or do not have disabilities. This challenging and fun experience will help you expand your snowboarding skills while understanding a framework for class lessons and the huge benefit they offer for all involved. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:30 AM, check-in with Kathy Chandler, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): All Authentic Experience sessions offered Monday-Thursday in morning timeslot.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must possess Level 3 snowboarding skills, be able to independently get on and off the chairlift, and provide appropriate snowboard and boots for self.

8:45 AM - 12: 15 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Lesson Observation: Recognizing Application of Fundamental Mechanics of Alpine Skiing	Michael Hunter	Learn about the application of PSIA's Fundamental Mechanics of Alpine Skiing through observation (watch and listen via Bluetooth audio) of an adaptive lesson taught by a top-notch certified instructor while gaining additional insights from the group facilitator. A short wrap-up with the lesson instructor at the end of the mornings lesson will complete this session. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:45 AM, check-in with the clinician, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): All other Authentic Experience sessions offered Monday-Thursday in morning timeslot.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to quietly observe an adaptive lesson in action, discuss Alpine Fundamental Mechanics observed in situation, and move with the observation group.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Dignity of Risk and Choice in Snowsports	Tera Adams	Join this session with instructors of all disciplines within adaptive snowsports to learn about avoiding false success in lessons and support realistic experiences and gains for all guests. Be prepared to challenge some of your own beliefs! This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinics: Teach Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function, Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Movement Analysis in the Moment - Intermediate Zone	Chad Biggerstaff	Join this on-snow session to perform movement analysis in the moment using the observation, evaluation, and prescription template. Participants will look at adaptive lesson guests and clinic members, with and without adaptive equipment, consider guest motivation, understanding, movement needs and assess ski and body performance throughout all phases of the turn. Attendees will also participate in building and implementing lesson plans to promote skill development. Companion Clinic(s): Adaptive Lesson Observation – Movement Analysis Application (Available discipline); Thursday, /10/2026 8:45 AM - 12:00 PM at special check-in site.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and experience using movement analysis with lesson guests.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Exploring the Intermediate Zone for Adaptive Stand Skiers with or without Adaptive Equipment	Ryan Latham	Exploration of Alpine Fundamentals, terrain use, and various equipment applications for skill building in the intermediate zone will offer new insights about enhanced performance for stand skiers with or without equipment. Participants who choose to use adaptive equipment in this session must have ownership of at least Level 7 skill in that discipline. Companion Clinic(s): A New View of Exercises and Activities, Tuesday, 12/9/2025, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing, 300 or more hours of teaching experience.

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Hands-on Help for Stand Skiers	Scott Giffin	When working with stand-up skiers, instructors use hands-on holds and assists for safety, skill development, control of turn shape, and more. Plan to gain solid ownership of holds and assists through meticulous practice while exploring the value of when to use them and when to teach without this additional support relative to learning goals, safety, and enjoyment by the guest. This clinic does not cover tethering. Companion Clinic(s): Stand-up Skier Tethering Basics, 12/8/26, 1:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and experience teaching skiers.
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9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-Day Workshop: Guiding and Teaching Skiers with Low or No Vision	Beth Fox	Trust, multi-faceted communication, partnership insight, and alpine skiing fundamentals are the basis for this two-day workshop. This immersive, active, and partner centric session offers experiential learning and solid skill building so instructor guides can provide safe and effective teaching and guiding during lessons for guests with low or no vision. Companion Clinic(s): Blind Guiding Around the World: What Every Guide can Learn from International Practices, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM-4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and Blind/Low Vision guiding and teaching experience.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Comprehensive SnowKart Fit-up and Instruction	Russ McDonald/Morgan McCleary	Instructors familiar with SnowKart understand the value this equipment brings to adaptive snowsports participants with cognitive and/or physical diagnoses. Plan for lots of practice skiing and teaching the SnowKart in this full-day session focused on SnowKart design, candidate selection for use of this sit ski, terrain choice and tactics for safe use on the slopes, and teaching progressions based upon technical insights and applications for SnowKart skill development by guests in adaptive lessons. Companion Clinic(s): Get In and Go: SnowKart, Monday, 12/7/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM and Wednesday 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding and some familiarity with SnowKart.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Rider Assessment, Equipment, Progression and Performance Pathways for Guests with Double Above the Knee Amputations	Trevor Hildebrand and Darren Swift	This practical session introduces the functional, environmental and coaching considerations involved in supporting double above-knee (DAK) amputee snowboarders. Participants explore how prosthetic configuration, absence of knee mechanisms, balance, movement, fatigue and the snow environment influence participation and performance. Through lived experience, practical experimentation and coaching activities, the session develops observation, professional judgement and adaptive decision making. Coaches learn to work collaboratively with individual riders, recognize effective movement strategies, adapt their approach and progressively support confidence, performance, autonomy and independence within the snowsports environment. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): All other adaptive snowboard clinics.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher riding or skiing skills and experience teaching snowboard.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Versatility of the Slider Apparatus	Barbara Szwebel	Spend a solid day skiing, teaching, and assisting the slider to polish up your skills or discover everything you never knew about the slider. Investigate set-up options, technical applications, safety factors, myriad assists, and use of the device as a alpine ski skill building tool based upon the physical, cognitive, and affective needs of adaptive lesson guests of all ages. We'll take some time to geek out on micro-adjustments for big impacts, too. The slider is a versatile apparatus that can act as a primary equipment choice or a transition tool toward greater independence for adaptive alpine skiers. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): All Stand-up Physical Diagnoses sessions	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Connectivity: Training Groups of Instructors with Varied Levels of Knowledge and Experience	Gates Lloyd	Attendees will learn how to establish functional rapport and to achieve goals with diverse clinic groups. The emphasis is on practical takeaways for this season's real life, on snow clinics. Come prepared to share - and hear answers to - the challenges you face. Companion clinic(s): All Trainer topic sessions	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Teacher Exchange	Charley Phelan	Instructors of all snowsports disciplines are welcome in this interactive round-robin style teaching practice and share session. Plan to employ creativity during micro-teaching segments, practice active listening to learn from your peers, explore word choices and their delivery, and consider what adjustments you may make when teaching your next lesson. Companion Clinics: Teach Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function, Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Exploring the Beginner Zone for Adaptive Stand Skiers with or without Adaptive Equipment	Tara Gorman	Exploration of skill development in the beginner/novice zone, application of Alpine Fundamentals, the role of terrain, and introduction to various pieces of adaptive equipment and their use will provide new insights about enhanced performance for stand skiers with or without equipment. Participants who choose to use adaptive equipment in this session must have ownership of at least Level 5 skills in that discipline. Companion Clinic(s): Bunny Hill Boredom, Monday, 12/7/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing, 300 or more hours of teaching experience.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Exploring the Advanced Zone for Adaptive Stand Skiers with or without Adaptive Equipment	Ryan Latham	Bring your "A" game to this faster paced and technically in-depth ski and share session. Exploration of skills and terrain in the advanced zone will help you bring new insights of carving, short turns, and mastery of varying conditions and black terrain to your adaptive stand up ski guests with or without equipment looking to race or meet their top level skill goals this season. Companion Clinic(s): Movement Analysis Mastery, Thursday, 12/10/26, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; 300 or more hours of teaching adaptive snowsports.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Fun School for Guests with Neurodivergence	Scott Giffin	If you aren't savvy to their needs kids will school you in what they want out of a snowsports experience: fun in their own style! Get creative while you investigate ways to help your young guests with neurodivergence learn through exploration, play, and adventure in individual and small group lessons that make the experience fun for everyone involved. Skiers and riders welcome. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Quick Overview of Tips and Tools for Teaching Guests with Brain Injury, Monday 12/7/2026. 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; 2-Day Workshop: FUNdamentals of Adapting Lessons for Neurodiverse Athletes, Thursday-Friday, 12/9-10/2026	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and experience teaching skiing or riding.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM *Snowboard*	SSIA: Snowboard Culture and Adaptive: "The Cool Factor"	Tera Adams	Ride across the mountain with other boarders in an interactive session that explores the roots of snowboarding, disability, and perspectives of why people choose snowboarding as a recreational and social activity. Companion Clinic(s): All other snowboard clinics	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 6 or higher riding skills.

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Movement Analysis Magic	Michael Hunter	If movement analysis is intimidating or confusing to you join this group on-snow for a simple and relaxed approach to analyzing the movements of skiers. Companion clinic(s): Adaptive Lesson Observation – Movement Analysis Application, Thursday, 12/10/2026, 8:45 AM - 12:00 PM. Special meeting location.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and teaching experience.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Stand-up Skier Tethering Basics	Chad Biggerstaff	Instructors use tethers attached to the ski tips of stand-up skiers for various safety and skill development reasons. Plan to gain a sound understanding of when and where tethers should or should not be used and solid skills for tethering stand-up skiers through meticulous practice. The group will also explore the value and appropriate implementation of this assist relative to learning goals, safety, and enjoyment by the guest. Companion Clinic(s): Hands-on Help for Stand Skiers, 12/8/2026 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and experience teaching skiers.
4:30 PM 5:30 PM	SSIA 60 Minute Mentor Series: Innovation Lab	Geoff Krill & Barbara Szwebel	Grab a beverage of your choice from the Copper Top and sip it while visiting separate stations for innovative equipment or devices being used by participants, athletes, clinic leaders, and vendors at The Hartford Ski Spectacular. Communication devices, adapted snowboard bindings for double amputees, electric drivetrain for ski propulsion systems, and more! This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series sessions	Minimum skills required for attendance: None
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Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
8:00 AM - 9: 00 AM	SSIA 60 Minute Mentor Series: Use of Social Media as a Driver for Volunteer Recruitment and Retention		Need a influencer to bulk up interest in snowsports volunteerism? Companion Clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series sessions	Minimum skills required for attendance: None
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Monoski Levels 5-7	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Biski Levels 5-7	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists.

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Class Inclusion Lesson – Monoski Level 4	Lesson Instructor	Immerse yourself in this class lesson for Level 5 monoskiers. Enjoy all the benefits of learning to monoski with and from other class members who do or do not have disabilities. This challenging and fun experience will help you expand your monoskiing skills while understanding a framework for class lessons and the huge benefit they offer for all involved. SPECIAL TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:30 AM, check-in with Kathy Chandler, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function, Thursday, 12/11/2025, 1:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must possess Level 5 monoskiing skills, be able to independently get on and off the chairlift and choose appropriate monoski equipment for self from rental supply. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
8:45 AM - 12: 15 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Lesson Observation: Recognizing Application of the Fundamental Mechanics of Snowboarding	Trevor Hildebrand	Learn about the application of AASI's Fundamental Mechanics of Snowboarding through observation (watch and listen via Bluetooth audio) of an adaptive snowboard lesson taught by a top-notch certified instructor while gaining additional insights from the group facilitator. A short wrap-up with the lesson instructor at the end of the mornings lesson will complete this session. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:45 AM, check-in with the clinic leader, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of the door of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): All Authentic Experience sessions; all other adaptive snowboard sessions.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to quietly observe an adaptive lesson in action, discuss People Skills observed in situation, and move with the observation group.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Get In and Go: SnowKart	Russ McDonald/Morgan McCleary	Get into the SnowKart and go skiing during this on-snow session designed to help instructors learn about the mechanics of the device and better understand how it can be used as a viable alternative to other sit-down and stand-up equipment for lesson guests with various physical and cognitive diagnoses. This session will include skill development activities, practice skiing the Snow Kart, and information on safety procedures. Companion Clinic(s): Get in and Go: TetraSki, 12/7/2026, 9:30 AM and 12/9/2025 1:30 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills. Attendees using the SnowKart may not exceed 250 pounds body weight.

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Effective Interpretation of Guest Behavior in Snowsports Lessons	Beth Fox	Humans show different sides of themselves every day even during Snowsports lessons. Behaviors exhibited by guests and instructors alike indicate a feeling, need, or desire and the challenge is to figure out what the behavior means and how to address it so an optimal learning environment can be created for individuals and the group. Ski across the mountain while exploring how to interpret guest behavior and create a setting that supports the social, emotional, and physical safety of everyone in the snowsports lesson. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Dignity of Risk and Choice in Snowsports, Tuesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; Teacher Exchange, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills and experience teaching snowsports lessons.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Breaking Out of the Early Beginner Zone for Stand-up Skiers	Ryan Latham	Plan to make plenty of laps on the beautiful beginner trails at Breckenridge while investigating activities and coaching for stand-up skiers looking to break out of the early phase of the beginner zone. This session will probe fundamental mechanics implementation, gear fit, and fear as factors that affect stand-up skiers at this level. Companion Clinic(s): Guest Assessment for Stand-up Snowsports Adaptive Equipment Needs, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills and experience teaching alpine skiing in the beginner zone.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Sit-Skit Fit Up Secrets: Fast, Safe, and Effective Assessments	Tara Gorman	Refresh your knowledge of physical assessment, fit-up practices, and safety considerations for sit skiers in snowsports lessons during this hands-on session that will take place on-snow. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing skills and knowledge about sit skiing. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-day Workshop - Biski: Equip, Teach, and Tether	Michael Hunter	Learn to provide effective beginner biskiing lessons for skiers of various diagnoses using hand-held and fixed outriggers. This two-day workshop will focus on biskier skill acquisition activities, hands-on assists to support safe chairlift loading and unloading, and tethering in Beginner Zone/Green terrain for safe biskiing experiences for learner and instructor. Plan for lots of hands-on engagement in this active workshop. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in biskis during this workshop. The companion clinic listed below is strongly recommended for attendees of this workshop: Companion Clinic(s): Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance, Indoors, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30-4:00 PM, Free.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and alpine ski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-day Workshop - Monoskier Independence and Advancement	Charley Phelan	Attendees in this clinic will explore equipment selection, alternative fit-ups, rig balancing, shock adjustment, and adapting skill development activities and experiences for guests with more complex diagnoses like polytrauma, brain injury, low or no vision, and progressive diseases that may challenge typical monoski teaching practices. The workshop will also offer hands-on and hands-off coaching strategies that promote independence from beginner through intermediate levels for monoskiers who may need temporary support. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in monoskis during this workshop. Companion Clinic: 60+ Minute Mentor Session: Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance , 2:30 - 4:00 PM Sunday, 12/6/26.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and monoski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-Day Workshop: FUNdamentals of Adapting Lessons for Neurodiverse Athletes	Chad Biggerstaff	This immersive, multi-discipline 2-day workshop is designed to help Alpine, Snowboard, and Adaptive instructors effectively coach athletes with neurocognitive differences by maximizing the use of People, Teaching, and Technical Fundamentals. Through an experiential mix of indoor and on-snow sessions, participants explore how to build trust, promote engagement through play and exploration, and create technical progressions that support skill development and emotional regulation. Companion Clinic(s): Tips and Tools for Teaching Guests with Brain Injury, Monday, 12/8/2025, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher snowboarding or skiing skills and prior snowsports teaching experience.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Breaking Out of the Beginner Zone for Monoskiers	Wayne Huang	Plan to make plenty of laps while investigating activities and coaching for monoskiers trying to break out of the advanced beginner zone. This session will probe fundamental mechanics implementation, diagnoses, seat fit, and rig set up as factors that affect monoskiers at this level. Companion Clinic(s): Indoors: Sit Ski Selection & Set-Up: Key Simple Strategies Based on Guest Assessment, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30-4:00 PM; 2-Day Workshop: Monoski: Assess, Equip, Teach, Monday-Tuesday, 12/7-12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM; Class Inclusion Lesson - Level 4, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM;	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and experience teaching monoski. Participants who choose to monoski in this session must possess minimum Level 5 monoskiing skills and be able to safely load and unload chairlifts. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Explore the Origin of Effective Movements in 3-Track Skiing	Geoff Krill	Explore 3-Track skiing in this session to gain physical and cognitive understanding of where movements originate in the body to support effective 3-Tracking. A new view of what efficiency and purity in this discipline looks like will allow attendees to enhance their performance of 3-Track skiing and take away the training wheels of a second leg. Companion Clinic(s):	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and prior experience 3-Track skiing.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Fear Free Biski Tethering for Skiers AND Riders	Tera Adams	If you've been out of biski tethering for a time and want to re-engage or have some trepidation around tethering then join this session for concentrated hands-on practice tethering fixed outrigger biskis on Beginner Zone terrain. The session is ideal for people who have been biski lesson assistants and aspire to expand their skills or are re-entering the industry as a biski instructor after a sabbatical. Open to skiers and riders. Companion Clinic(s): Online: You Really Got a Hold on Me - Introduction to Adaptive Tethering, Thursday, 12/5/24 5:00 - 7:30 PM MT.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and exposure to biski tethering. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
~~9:30 AM - 4:00 PM~~	~~SSIA: Rider Knowledge and Skill Expansion: Working Toward AASI Level 1 Certification~~	~~Tera Adams~~	~~If you are interested in setting yourself up for success at the AASI L1 certification then this full-day riding, MA, and teaching skills session is for you.~~	~~Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher snowboarding skills and prior teaching experience.~~
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Blind Guiding Around the World: What Every Guide can Learn from International Practices	Scott Giffin	Take a step out of your rehearsed guiding zone to practice and consider implementation of snowsports guiding techniques used in other parts of the world. Application and discussion of various tools, systems and practices will be truly eye opening especially when blended with methods you already use. Companion Clinics: 2-Day Workshop: Guiding and Teaching Skiers with Low or No Vision, M-T, 12/7-8/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum Skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and intermediate level guiding skills.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Hands-Free Coaching for Biskier Independence	Barbara Szwebel	Empower hand-held outrigger biskiers to gain freedom and independence in multiple skill zones. Learn about and practice evaluating biskier equipment and set-up choices, assessing movement patterns, and planning skill development activities. Terrain selection and employing hands-free coaching methodologies to support safety, and independence during slipping, skidding and carving will also be an important part of this clinic. Attendees are encouraged but not required to biski during this session. Companion Clinic(s): 60 Minute+ Mentor Session: Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance , 2:30-4:00 PM Sunday, 12/6/2026.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and biski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: What's My Inside Ski For?	Gates Lloyd	Many skiers focus and rely upon on the outside ski while skiing: tipping, bending and turning it. Attendees, and their guests, will benefit from a fuller understanding of how the inside ski contributes to tactics, control, and confidence at every level, in all conditions. Plan to experiment and vary habitual movement patterns. Companion clinic(s): Adaptive Lesson Observation – Movement Analysis Application , Thursday, 12/10/26, 8:45 AM - 12:00 PM. Special meeting location.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Strong Level 7 skiing or riding skills and snowsports teaching experience.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Explore the Origin of Effective Movements in 3-Track Skiing	Geoff Krill	Explore 3-Track skiing in this session to gain physical and cognitive understanding of where movements originate in the body to support effective 3-Tracking. A new view of what efficiency and purity in this discipline looks like will allow attendees to enhance their performance of 3-Track skiing and take away the training wheels of a second leg.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and prior experience 3-Track skiing.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Physical Assessment for Guests in Stand-up Adaptive Snowsports	Beth Fox	Many guests in adaptive stand-up snowsports lessons arrive on-site dressed and ready to go which prompts instructors to skip preliminaries and get out the door. Instructors quick to the snow line sometimes need additional information about the guests' physical strengths and challenges and gather tools or appliances required for safety and efficient skill development. Clinic participants will get in lots of turns while practicing physical assessments, determining if assessment outcomes require additional equipment or adjustments, and use pocket items or easily obtainable adaptive appliances to support guest and instructor safety and success during the lesson. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Exploring the Beginner Zone, Intermediate Zone or Advanced Zone for Skiers with and without Adaptive Equipment. Various dates/times for these three clinics.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and experience teaching adaptive snowsports lessons.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Increasing Student Engagement in Adaptive Snowsports Lessons	Ryan Latham	Humans are unique and so are the ways in which we learn. Join this insightful session to gain knowledge about modulating lesson factors to increase engagement by different learners. Plan to participate in practice teaching and try out various strategies to support student engagement for superior learning opportunities. Skiers and Riders welcome. Companion Clinic(s): All Teaching and People Skills clinics	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher snowboarding or skiing skills and prior teaching experience.

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Mono-Ski Suspension Systems: Optimizing Mono-Ski Response and Stability Through Effective Suspension Adjustments	Tara Gorman	Every sit ski instructor has gone through ups and downs understanding and adjusting monoski suspension systems. This on-snow session will provide insight into the basic concepts of monoski shock configuration and how adjustments impact monoskier safety and performance. Attendees will practice adjusting shocks and see how this fine-tuning can optimize skier performance. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion clinic(s): Quick Tips for Seating Assessment, Fit-Up, and Safety for Sit Skiers, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing skills and knowledge about sit skiing. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Demo Skill Polishing for Advanced Zone Instructors and Trainers	Trevor Hildebrand	If you provide instructor training, plan to attend certification, or just want to provide accurate demos with or without adaptive equipment to your lesson guests please joint this relaxed, yet focused, session. Participants will make lots of turns and receive feedback useful all season long to make sure demonstrations are spot on! The group will ski lots and attendees who choose to use adaptive equipment should be appropriately skilled and ready to quickly switch into and out of different equipment. Companion Clinic(s): High Level Motor Skill Acquisition for Ski Instructors, Monday, 12/7/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; Movement Analysis Mastery, Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 8 or higher skiing skills and comfortable performing demonstrations in front of a group. Attendees who choose to attend the clinic in rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Get In and Go: TetraSki	Russ McDonald/Morgan McCleary	Spend time in the TetraSki during this experiential on-snow session to learn about how this sit-down device can be an amazing option for guests with various medical diagnoses and needs. The TetraSki utilizes break-through technology of the hand or breath activated Universal Controller to support greater independence in snow skiing by people with complex physical or cognitive diagnoses. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in TetraSkis in this session. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Get in and Go: SnowKart, 12/7/2026, 1:30 PM; and 12/9/2026 9:30 AM.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher skiing or riding skills. Attendees using the TetraSki may not exceed 250 pounds body weight.
4:30:00 PM - 5:30 PM	SSIA: 60 Minute Mentor Series: Court Date: Learn About Legal Safety for Your Program through a Mock Court Deposition	Jordan Lipp and Dave Byrd	Observe a mock court deposition with one of the nations top performers from the Association of Ski Defense Attorneys to learn how the process works and, more importantly, what steps to take for prevention of litigation against your school or program. Attendees of this engaging session will leave with lots of information regarding training requirements and practices, manuals, policies and procedures, and setting up your school to maximize guest experience and minimize incidents that could lead to litigation. Companion Clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series topics	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: None

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	RESNA Standards Committee Meeting	John Kamb	It is important to the work of the committee that RESNA has participating members from various aspects of adaptive ski users, programs, and entities including consumers, government, manufacturers, program manager/coordinators, ski area/ industry operators, teachers/ instructors, and independent specialists. The committee is currently looking for additional members to help in future standards development. The goal of the committee is to develop standards that affect users and organizations representing the technical needs of adaptive skiers including adaptive sports equipment suppliers, adaptive ski programs, assistive technology practitioners, manufacturers and researchers of sit-skis, mono-skis and bi-skis (SMBs), adaptive skiers, designers and test laboratories of SMBs. RESNA is a standards developing organization accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The RESNA Assistive Technology Standards Board is the U.S. Technical Advisory Group to ANSI for the development of ISO (International Organization for Standardization) standards pertaining to assistive technology and other products for persons with disabilities Companion Clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series topics	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: None
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Time	**Title**	**Clinician**	**Description**	**Requirements**
8:00 AM - 9: 00 AM	SSIA 60 Minute Mentor Series: Community Building in Adaptive Sport	Dale Rennard and Darren Swift	This interactive session explores how sustainable communities can form, grow and connect through adaptive sport. Using shared experiences and practical examples, we'll consider what creates belonging, how people find and become involved in communities, and the importance of recognizing different ways to contribute. We'll explore how participation, shared experience and peer mentorship can help people feel valued, develop confidence and support others, before considering how independent communities can retain their identity while connecting around shared interests and creating wider opportunities together. Companion clinic(s): All 60-Minute Mentor Series topics	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: None
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Race Camp Observation – Snowboard Race Coach Insights	Snowboard Coach	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7+ snowboarding skills.
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Race Camp Observation – Alpine Ski Race Coach Insights	Alpine Coach	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7+ skiing skills.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Low or No Vision Levels 5-7	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists. Check in with the LTS manager prior to lesson.
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Active Audit of an Adaptive Lesson – Adaptive Snowboard Levels 1-6 (as available)	Lesson Instructor	*In order to receive CEUs for this session, you must submit a written session review. The link will be provided through the Ski Spec app.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to assist in the lesson under the direction of the lead instructor including, but not limited to, lift loading, unloading, and other assists. Check in with the LTS manager prior to lesson.

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Class Inclusion Lesson – Stand-up Alpine Skiing (any discipline) Level 7	Lesson Instructor	Immerse yourself in this class lesson for Level 7 stand-up alpine skiers. Enjoy all the benefits of learning to ski with other class members who do or do not have disabilities. This challenging and fun experience will help you expand your alpine skiing skills while understanding a framework for class lessons and the huge benefit they offer for all involved. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:30 AM, check-in with Kathy Chandler, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must possess Level 7 alpine skiing skills in whatever type of alpine ski equipment the person has chosen to use.
8:45 AM - 12: 15 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Lesson Observation – Movement Analysis Application (Available discipline)	Geoff Krill	Learn about the application of PSIA/AASI's Movement Analysis model through observation (watch and listen via Bluetooth audio) of an adaptive lesson taught by a top-notch certified instructor while gaining additional insights from the group facilitator. A short wrap-up with the lesson instructor at the end of the mornings lesson will complete this session. SPECIAL CHECK-IN TIME AND LOCATION: Arrive dressed and booted, 8:45 AM, check-in with the clinic leader, indoors, at the "Authentic Experience" sign located outside of Peak 17 (Learn to Ski Instructors Room) on the ground floor of Beaver Run Resort. Companion Clinic(s): All other Adaptive Lesson Observation Authentic Experience sessions, each day, 8:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills; ability to quietly observe an adaptive lesson in action, prior experience using a Movement Analysis model and discuss Movement Analysis implementation observed in the situation, and move with the observation group.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Get In and Go: Build Your Personal Biskiing Skills with Hand-held Outriggers (Level 1-3) for Teaching or Certification Prep	Beth Fox	Join this entry level class biskiing lesson to start on the pathway of skill acquisition for instructor demonstrations in lessons or the required personal biskiing competency level for PSIA/AASI biski certification. Participants will learn to independently use biskis by engaging in fun and games while applying fundamental mechanics to biskiing. Riders and skiers welcome. Attendees are highly encouraged but not required to biski in this session. Companion Clinic(s): Class Inclusion Lesson – Hand-held Outrigger Biski Level 1, 12/7/2026, 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Attendees must possess Level 7 alpine skiing or riding skills and have the upper body strength to independently use hand-held outriggers while biskiing on flat and slightly sloped entry level terrain and rise from a fall with little assistance. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Movement Analysis Magic	Scott Giffin	If movement analysis is intimidating or confusing to you join this group on-snow for a simple and relaxed approach to analyzing the movements of skiers. Companion clinic: Movement Analysis Magic, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and teaching experience.

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SSIA: Movement Analysis Mastery	Barbara Szwebel	Lots of factors influence adaptive snowsports lessons and can conspire to steal away time in a lesson and one of these is lengthy movement analysis assessments. Instructors who perfect their skills to quickly analyze body and ski performance can move more efficiently toward the goal of helping guests make positive changes in their movements to meet personal skiing and experience goals. Join this session to continue your path toward mastery of movement analysis. Companion Clinic(s): High Level Motor Skill Acquisition for Ski Instructors, Monday, 12/7/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 8 or higher skiing skills and comfortable performing movement analysis of skiers through the intermediate zone.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-day Workshop - Biski: Equip, Teach, and Tether	Michael Hunter	Learn to provide effective beginner biskiing lessons for skiers of various diagnoses using hand-held and fixed outriggers. This two-day workshop will focus on biskier skill acquisition activities, hands-on assists to support safe chairlift loading and unloading, and tethering in Beginner Zone/Green terrain for safe biskiing experiences for learner and instructor. Plan for lots of hands-on engagement in this active workshop. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in biskis during this workshop. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. The companion clinic listed below is strongly recommended for attendees of this workshop: Companion Clinic(s): Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance, Indoors, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30-4:00 PM, Free.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and alpine ski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-day Workshop - Monoskier Independence and Advancement	Charley Phelan	Attendees in this clinic will explore equipment selection, alternative fit-ups, rig balancing, shock adjustment, and adapting skill development activities and experiences for guests with more complex diagnoses like polytrauma, brain injury, low or no vision, and progressive diseases that may challenge typical monoski teaching practices. The workshop will also offer hands-on and hands-off coaching strategies that promote independence from beginner through intermediate levels for monoskiers who may need temporary support. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski in monoskis during this workshop. Companion Clinic: 60+ Minute Mentor Session: Mountain Magic: Collaborative Team Strategies to Optimize Sit Skier Performance, Indoors, Sunday, 12/6/2026, 2:30-4:00 PM, Free.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and monoski teaching experience. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: 2-Day Workshop: FUNdamentals of Adapting Lessons for Neurodiverse Athletes	Chad Biggerstaff	This immersive, multi-discipline 2-day workshop is designed to help Alpine, Snowboard, and Adaptive instructors effectively coach athletes with neurocognitive differences by maximizing the use of People, Teaching, and Technical Fundamentals. Through an experiential mix of indoor and on-snow sessions, participants explore how to build trust, promote engagement through play and exploration, and create technical progressions that support skill development and emotional regulation. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Tips and Tools for Teaching Guests with Brain Injury, Monday, 12/8/2025, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher snowboarding or skiing skills and prior snowsports teaching experience.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Four-Track Freedom	Wayne Huang	We'll grab outriggers and four-track the mountain, investigate outrigger set-ups for functionality based upon various mobility and confidence challenges, and apply technical insights for the best mobility outcomes. Attendees are encouraged but not required to ski with stand-up outriggers. Companion Clinic(s): Exploring the Intermediate Zone for Adaptive Stand Skiers with or without Adaptive Equipment , Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM; Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function , Thursday, 12/10/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing or riding skills and previous experience skiing with outriggers.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM *Snowboard*	SSIA: Crossroads Between Beginning Freestyle and Tethering from a Snowboard	Tera Adams	Is it conceivable that tethering from a snowboard and freestyle riding intersect? The answer is yes! The idea of tethering is often daunting and overwhelming for park riders and for many adaptive snowboard instructors the park is intimidating, and they miss out on this core component of snowboarding and snowboard culture. Both groups have a lot to offer each other and this clinic is a space to learn both of those skills. Lots of practice in each area will leave instructors with stronger skills for freestyle and tethering lessons down the road. Companion Clinic(s): All other snowboard clinics.	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 6 or higher riding skills and experience tethering biskis on easy blue terrain. This is not a biski tethering 101 clinic. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Elevate Independence: Tethering and Assists for Sit-ski Guests	Trevor Hildebrand	This session is all about setting up a partnership between guest and tetherer for learning and performance that allows maximum independence to biskiers with fixed or hand-held outriggers who have complex medical diagnoses, cognitive challenges, or progressive diseases. Explore specific CAP needs of guests to decide how, when, and where to implement and disengage from these assists. Replace yank and bank tethering and round-the-mountain seat assists with hands-on aid that promotes nuanced and synchronous movements by both partners working in concert together for safe and effective progress down the trail. Tactical decisions, communication, coordination, trust, and respect are foundational to curated independence and success in this type of partnership. Skiers and riders welcome. Companion Clinic(s): Hands-free Coaching for Biskier Independence, Wednesday, 12/9/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding and Intermediate Zone sit ski tethering skills. Attendees using rental sit skis may not exceed 220 pounds body weight.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Multi-discipline Adaptive Class Lessons for Fun and Function	Ryan Latham	What do lesson guests using sit-skis, stand-up outriggers, or no adaptive gear at all have in common? A desire to experience peer-to-peer learning, share experiences, and have group fun while expanding their skiing skills. Gain new teaching and technical understanding or polish up the knowledge you've already got during this engaging and active participation session for safe and effective multi-discipline class lesson instruction. Your newly gained skills will be an asset to your snowsports program. Companion Clinic(s): Fun School for Guests with Neurodivergence, Tuesday, 12/9/2026, 1:30 - 4:00 PM	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills, experience teaching adaptive ski lessons, and exposure to class lessons.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Adaptive Equipment Use as Steppingstones to Improve Mental Health	Barbara Szwebel	Studies show the positive impact of physical activity on mental health but sometimes the "Just Do It" slogan isn't the right motivator to get people involved in snowsports. Participants in this clinic will learn about mental health diagnoses, cooperative planning of snowsports lesson activities for guest buy-in, and use of adaptive equipment to support greater engagement by guests in snowsports lessons . Companion Clinic(s): Exploring the Beginner Zone for Adaptive Stand Skiers with or without Adaptive Equipment, Tuesday, 12/8/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM;	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills, experience teaching adaptive ski lessons.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Effective Mentoring of New Instructors	Scott Giffin	Join this easy-going but highly focused session to explore strategies for effective mentoring of new adaptive snowsports instructors. Instructor motivations, consistent engagement with training, expectations by trainers and instructors, and personal fulfillment will all be covered as the group skis and rides the trails with a master trainer. Companion Clinic(s): All Advanced Zone and Trainers Zone sessions	Minimum skills required for clinic attendance: Current trainer or apprentice in a program/school; strong Level 7 or higher ski or ride skills; 400 hours teaching adaptive snowsports.

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Movement Analysis in the Moment - Intermediate Zone	Geoff Krill	Join this on-snow session to perform movement analysis in the moment using the observation, evaluation, and prescription template. Participants will look at adaptive lesson guests and clinic members, with and without adaptive equipment, consider guest motivation, understanding, movement needs and assess ski and body performance throughout all phases of the turn. Attendees will also participate in building and implementing lesson plans to promote skill development. Companion Clinic(s): Adaptive Lesson Observation – Movement Analysis Application (Available discipline); Thursday, /10/2026 8:45 AM - 12:00 PM at special check-in site.	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 or higher skiing skills and experience using movement analysis with lesson guests.
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Practical Application of Communication Systems for Non-speakers in Snowsports Lessons	Beth Fox	Information exchange is key to developing trust, rapport and creating a productive learning atmosphere in any snowsports lesson. This session will be filled with practical application of myriad purchasable or homemade communication products and systems that are user-friendly in outdoor sports on the move. All disciplines welcome to attend this interactive session. This session content is NCTRC CE pre-approved. Companion Clinic(s): Online: Communicating with Non-speakers in Snowsports Lessons, Tuesday, 12/1/2026	Minimum skills required for attendance: Level 7 skiing or riding and experience teaching snowsports lessons.
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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	SSIA: Classic Cross-Country Skiing: Entry Portal for People with Disabilities	Beth Fox	Cross country skiing is a natural entry portal into snowsports for people of all ages and backgrounds, including those with disabilities. This interactive session will explore myriad diagnoses, communication techniques, assessment templates, adaptive equipment selection, and use of learning tools and teaching methodologies applicable to guests in adaptive lessons. Companion Clinics:	Minimum skills required for attendance: Intermediate level classic style cross-country skiing skills and experience teaching this discipline.