The National Ski Patrol announced today that Nodin de Saillan is joining the organization as its Education Programs Manager. De Saillan has a diverse background in educational technologies, outdoor education, and nonprofit leadership. He is also a life-long skier.

“The education programs that NSP provides our members are central to who we are and what we do, so this is a key role for the organization,” said Executive Director Meegan Moszynski. “I am excited for all of the ways Nodin’s experience, from designing and implementing online and adult learning programs to developing environmental and outdoor education experiences for underserved youth, will benefit our members and the organization.”

De Saillan will serve as an educational resource for NSP members and a liaison with external stakeholders and organizations. He will also work to continuously research and improve ways that NSP’s many education programs can be developed, delivered and evaluated. Finally, he will be a key part of rolling out the sixth edition of NSP’s flagship educational publication, Outdoor Emergency Care this summer.
“As an avid outdoorsman and lover of long, cold days in the mountains, I am thrilled to be joining an organization that supports those interests,” de Saillan said. “I am most excited to leverage my experiences with online learning and nonprofit leadership to further develop NSP’s education programs and initiatives.”

De Saillan comes to NSP with a unique background in educational technologies, outdoor education, and nonprofit leadership. His love for the outdoors grew into a commitment to accessible experiential learning when he served as assistant director for a small non-profit organization based in Boulder County that provided underserved youth with experiences based on a triad of environmental education, outdoor recreation, and service learning.

De Saillan recently obtained his Ph.D. in Literature from the University of Colorado Boulder where he studied the environmental history of early modern England. While at CU, he taught undergraduate courses including a number of hybrid courses—part online, part in-person—for the University’s division of Continuing Education, which serves adult learners. He also worked for the Office of Information Technology (OIT) on campus where he created and deployed training curricula that helped instructors implement academic technologies into online-learning environments. Most recently, de Saillan worked for Noodle Partners, an online program management firm, where he helped develop a module-based online training program for onboarding new employees.

De Saillan will officially start at NSP on January 28.

About the National Ski Patrol:
The National Ski Patrol is a federally-chartered 501(c)(3) nonprofit membership association. As the leading authority of on-mountain safety, the NSP is dedicated to serving the outdoor recreation industry by providing education and accreditation to emergency care and safety service providers. NSP has more than 31,000 members who are ski and bike patrollers, mountain hosts and associates, and who serve more than 600 patrols around the country and internationally. The NSP is based in Lakewood, Colo.

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