



Toolik Field Station

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What to bring

Science party members are responsible for their own cold weather clothing. Fabrics to consider are Polar Plus Fleece, Polypropylene, Capilene, wool, and silk. Avoid cotton fabrics and jeans for remote field site use. Keep in mind that rain is a normal weather condition in Alaska. Be aware that during the summer season (May through September) the temperature can fluctuate between 10 and 90 degrees Fahrenheit depending upon the location.

During the summer months, because weather can turn quickly and actually be cold and humid, we recommend that you plan on bringing cold weather clothing in addition to summer clothing to be ready no matter what the weather might be.

Here is a list of recommended clothing to bring to Toolik Field Station (winter only gear marked with *):

- Head protection: sun hat, warm hat
- Eye protection:
 - Sunglasses (preferably polarized)
 - Googles*
- Raingear: rain jacket, rain pants
- Gym clothing
- Outer layers:
 - Warm jacket/parka with hood, down or synthetic
 - Windbreaker
 - Hiking pants (avoid cotton and denim for remote fieldwork)
 - Shell pants
 - Insulated/waterproof bibs (Carhartt or equivalent)*
 - Shorts
- Neck gaiter, balaclava (Buff)
- Gloves:
 - Liner gloves
 - Insulated gloves
 - waterproof gloves
 - mittens*



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- **Footwear:**
 - Gore Tex hiking boots
 - Rubber boots, insulated advised (Muck boots, Xtratufs, Bogs)
 - Slip ons (Crocs, flip-flops, sandals) - lodging accommodations and shower module are shoe-less
 - Running shoes
 - Insulated winter boots (Steger Mukluks, Sorel)*
- **Under Layers:**
 - Several sets of long underwear, upper and lower body, wicking and insulating
 - 4-6 pair wool socks
 - Shirts (polypropylene, wool; avoid cotton)