ALASKA
(FAIRBANKS, ANCHORAGE, DENALI, GIRDWOOD, SKAGWAY, JUNEAU, KENAI)
Alaska is the largest state in the United States. It is over twice as large as Texas, the next largest state. Although it is large in size, it has a very small population. It is the 4th least populous of all the states. Approximately half of Alaska’s residents live within the Anchorage metropolitan area. Alaska’s economy is dominated by oil, natural gas, fishing, and tourism industries.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Second job availability: Possible
Average cost of housing per week: $75-100
State’s minimum wage: $8.75
Typical transportation: Other

TEMPERATURES
Anchorage Climate Graph – Alaska climograph

CITIES & AIRPORTS
Closest international airports: Fairbanks International Airport (FIA) & Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (ANC)
Capital: Anchorage, Alaska
Nearby city: Fairbanks, Alaska

COMMUNITY GROUPS & RESOURCES
None available yet

THINGS TO DO & CULTURAL EVENTS
- Go hiking, camping or fishing
- Try whitewater rafting
- Attend local town events

PROS & CONS
PRO: Beautiful area, very familiar with J-1 Program and how to help students have a successful experience.
CON: Other housing options are very expensive. I suggest they stay with the employer. Not much night life. Many areas are very isolated and little to no public transportation
HOT TIPS

- Keep in touch with employer about housing, if provided.
- Find housing before you arrive
- Be prepared for all types of weather
- Be ready for 20 hours of sunlight a day in the summer

MAP OF THE AREA

http://www.nationsonline.org/oneworld/map/USA/alaska_map.htm