



## **NOLS Wilderness Medicine Wilderness First Aid (WFA) Grant Application**

NOLS Wilderness Medicine is excited to work with organizations and businesses to build capacity for training outdoor leaders. The NOLS Wilderness First Aid course grant can cover up to \$5000 in tuition and expenses per Wilderness First Aid course.

The Wilderness First Aid (WFA) course is a 16-hour, introductory training designed to prepare outdoor leaders to respond in an emergency. Taught over two consecutive days, this hands-on course is ideal for outdoor programs that operate relatively close to medical resources, utilize a wilderness basecamp, or provide weekend outdoor or town activities. The focus is on training leaders to respond to the most common wilderness illnesses and injuries, to make evacuation decisions, and to prevent emergencies. Emphasis is placed on leadership, communication, and teamwork.

The purpose of the grant program is to assist organizations seeking to overcome financial barriers to training for their outdoor leaders. Grantees are expected to fully participate in supporting student selection, course logistics, and instructor needs. Organizations are encouraged to use this initial grant as a stepping stone to build capacity for future courses.

Courses supported by the WFA grant cannot be open to the public, they must be available only to members of the organization. Courses have a minimum of 15 students and a maximum of 30. Students must be 16 years of age to participate. Courses are delivered in English. Successful course completion results in a two-year Wilderness First Aid certification from NOLS Wilderness Medicine.

Funds remain to support courses in 2019. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis for courses in January, February, July, and August.

Application Address: <https://goo.gl/forms/xleiuDjCgCg9i9T52>

### **Selection Criteria**

- Ability to meet the expectations described in the attached Sponsor Fact Sheet and Sponsor Policies and Responsibilities.
- Demonstrated financial need.
- Defined selection criteria and enrollment process for students that maximizes enrollment and minimizes attrition.
- Clear connection between the organization's mission and the need for Wilderness First Aid training.
- Defined plan for ongoing participant engagement with the Wilderness First Aid content.
- Proposed course dates and location within the defined time period.

## Budget Planning Tips

Income and Expense	Estimated Cost
Tuition to NOLS: \$151 x 30 participants (will be bill for actual number, minimum 15)	\$4530
Enrollment Incentive: Tuition credit for 20 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> student (\$151 x 2 free spots)	-\$302
Travel estimate within the U.S. for two instructors, call for non-U.S. estimate	\$700-\$1000
Lodging estimate, budget two rooms for three nights, may be less	Local estimate
Meal per diem for two instructors for two days, may offer a local meal plan	\$164
Additional expenses: Classroom rental? Marketing costs?	Local estimate
Income: Tuition charged to each student	TBD
Grant Request from NOLS: Maximum \$5000, please ask only for what is needed. Grant will be applied as a credit on the final invoice.	TBD

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