

NOLS WILDERNESS MEDICINE

Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician Course Logistics (Kelly, WY)

Arrival and Departure

Arrival

Plan to arrive in the evening the day before the course starts. Check in is from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. If you cannot arrive by 9:00 p.m., check-in the following day at 7:45 a.m. Student parking is in the first lot on the left. Our host will meet you at the main lodge.

Class Days

Check in to class no later than 7:45 a.m. on the first day of the course. Class runs from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, plus one or two evening sessions each week. Students should keep their weekends open for clinical rotations.

Departure

You must check out by 9:00 a.m. on the last day of class. Cold breakfast is provided. Class ends at 5:00 p.m. the evening before departure.

Lodging and Meals

Situated in beautiful Grand Teton National Park, Teton Science Schools' (TSS) Kelly Campus is surrounded by mountain views, aspen forests, open grasslands and a rich wildlife population. Two rustic log dormitories provide student lodging, one designated for female and the other for male students. Each dorm has capacity for 20 people with three sleeping rooms and two shared bathrooms (shower, sinks, toilet).

Delicious meals are prepared by professional kitchen staff and served family-style Monday through Friday ONLY. There are NO MEALS provided on weekends. If you require additional food, you will need to supplement with your own supplies. There are no grocery stores near the Kelly Campus, so please come prepared. You will have shared access to a microwave, toaster, and fridge. All staff and students will assist with daily chores. These tasks consist of meal set-up and clean-up, and cleaning living quarters and classroom space. They will entail about two hours of work per week. There will be a major "Hands to Work" clean-up once a week for all students and TSS staff. Students are responsible for providing their own bedding, towels and washcloths. Health code requires that you bring both a sleeping bag and a sheet to put underneath it.

Although the TSS Kelly Campus is in a rural setting, we have experienced an increase in traffic due to adjacent Forest Service land use. We do not have locks on our doors. Please take this into consideration when bringing valuable personal items. Additionally, the WEMT schedule is quite busy and housing is limited; therefore, guests are not allowed during the course.

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Teton County, WY residents:

There are a limited number of spots available for students who are not using the Teton Science Schools' meals and lodging package. These spots are filled on a first come, first served basis. Qualifying Teton County residents should call the NOLS Wilderness Medicine office at (866) 831-9001 to confirm rates and availability. Plan to arrive just prior to 7:45 a.m. on the first day of the course. Tuition includes dinners before night sessions and all lunches. Students will be expected to help with the chores mentioned above, excluding cleaning of living quarters.

Travel

We encourage you to drive to the course if at all possible. Clinical rotations are up to a 4-hour drive from the facility. Students who do not drive will need to rely on classmates for transportation to the clinicals.

If you decide to fly, the closest major airport is Jackson Hole, WY, about 30 minutes from the TSS Kelly Campus. Those arriving at the airport are responsible for their own transportation to the course site. Several [taxi companies](#) are available.

Tell your driver you are going to the Teton Science Schools' Kelly Campus (see enclosed map).

For complete transportation information, contact the Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce at (307) 733-3316 or visit their website at <http://www.jacksonholechamber.com>. If there is a storm in the area on or before arrival day, go online to <http://map.wyoroad.info/> or call the Kelly Campus at (307) 734-5659 or Grand Teton National Park at (307) 739-3300 for road information.

Mail, Telephone, Internet, and Laundry

During the course, mail may be sent to WEMT students at the following address:
Wilderness EMT Course Student, STUDENT'S NAME
P.O. Box 68
Kelly, WY 83011

For FedEx/UPS send to:

Wilderness EMT Course Student, STUDENT'S NAME
1 Ditch Creek Road
Kelly, WY 83011

Phones and Internet

Should you run into any travel problems en route to the course, **please call (307) 335-2394**. You will not be directly reachable by phone at TSS. People attempting to reach you for emergency purposes will need to leave a message at the TSS general number, (307) 734-5659. The on-site phone only processes local calls, 800 numbers, and calls made using a phone card. Cell phone coverage is minimal. TSS has wireless Internet service for students with laptops. TSS provides computer terminals with Internet access for student use in the Lab Building.

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Laundry

There is one laundromat in town: The Missing Sock, 1405 S US Highway 89, Jackson, WY 83001, (307) 739-9274. Laundry facilities are not available at TSS.

Equipment & Clothing

Weather in the Rockies is reliably cool. Snowfall is a possibility during all seasons. Otherwise it is very sunny in Kelly year-round; sunscreen is important.

Comfortable shoes are recommended, and a good pair of boots is a must. Rescue scenarios take place in water, difficult terrain and darkness. Come prepared with clothing and footwear that protects you. Please refer to the following packing lists when you prepare for your course. The first list includes items you **need** to bring to your WEMT course. The second list includes items that past students recommended as helpful or fun to have with you.

Please bring the following required items:

- Large day pack (book bag or weekend trip size is great; anything bigger will be too much)
- Water bottle
- Outdoor clothing to include:
 - Multiple non-cotton layers
 - Waterproof outer tops & bottoms
 - Hat/mittens/gloves
 - Warm boots (some students have recommended gaiters for winter courses)
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Watch with a second hand (either analog or digital is fine)
- Professional attire for clinical rotations (see Course Description for more details)
- Sleeping bag and/or blanket
- Towel(s)
- Toiletries and all personal items
- Laptop computer / Tablet device (strongly recommended)

You may also wish to bring the following items:

- Notebook
- Small reading lamp
- Extra blankets, especially for January courses
- Pens, pencils, and colored highlighters
- Mobile phone
- Knee pads (for acting as a rescuer on frequent scenarios)
- Warm slippers to wear around the classroom (muddy footwear is not allowed in the classroom building)

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- A camp style chair for classroom time
- Recreational equipment
- Snowshoes or skis are optional for winter courses

We will provide all necessary medical equipment.

What NOT to bring:

- No alcohol or drugs. There is a no alcohol, no drugs policy on site; they are not allowed in or near the lodging or classroom facilities. There is no tobacco allowed in the lodging or classroom facilities.
- Pets are not allowed at the teaching or lodging site. This includes leashing them outside or housing them in vehicles. No exceptions. Any student bringing a pet to class will be asked to leave class until the pet is safely situated in a kennel or other facility. Please take responsibility to make these arrangements before arriving to class.
- No firearms or weapons. The possession or use of firearms or weapons of any type are prohibited on the property, including the housing. Students traveling with firearms or weapons should make independent arrangements to temporarily store weapons off-site.

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Directions to Kelly, WY

By Air: Jackson Hole Airport (JAC) is 20 minutes from our campus and is serviced by American, Delta, Skywest, and United. You may also want to check rates and availability through Salt Lake City, Utah (a five-hour drive to Jackson) or Idaho Falls, Idaho (two hour drive).

Car Rental: If you plan on renting a car before, during or after the program, Alamo, Avis and Hertz are available at the Jackson Hole airport. We recommend you make your car rental reservation in advance of the program.

By Car: If you are driving to Jackson Hole, there is free parking at the campus.

Driving Directions to the Kelly Campus:

From the north:

From Highway 26/89/187, turn LEFT onto Antelope Flats Road*. If you go as far as Moose Junction (Park Headquarters), you have gone too far. Once on Antelope Flats Road, drive approx. 3.5 miles to a crossroad and turn RIGHT. After approx. 1.6 miles you will come to the Teton Science Schools turnoff. There will be a small sign on the right. Turn LEFT. The school is approx. 1.7 miles up this road.

From the south:

From Highway 26/89/187, turn RIGHT onto the Gros Ventre Road almost immediately after crossing the Gros Ventre River. After approx. 7.1 miles you will see the town of Kelly (don't blink!) and the road will take a sharp turn to the left. From here it is approx. 2.3 miles to the turnoff for the Kelly Campus of the Teton Science Schools, marked by a small sign on the left. Turn RIGHT onto the school road and travel approx. 1.7 miles to our buildings.

*Antelope Flats Road is closed during the winter. If Antelope Flats Road is closed, continue south on Highway 26/89/187 for approx. 6.7 miles. Turn LEFT onto Gros Ventre Road and then follow the directions above for arriving from the South.

