



# **NOLS WILDERNESS MEDICINE**

## WILDERNESS FIRST AID COURSE (WFA)

(with a few spots open for people in need of recertifying a NOLS WAFA or WFR)

# SHANA – Seminarhaus, Sülfeld, Germany August 11-13, 2023

DATES: August 11-13, 2023 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday).

PRICE: USD \$535.00 or €500.00 per person (VAT included).

Included in the course is NOLS Wilderness Medicine Wilderness First Aid 30 page handout, First Aid Pocket Guide, a patient assessment bandana, NOLS Wilderness Medicine WFA, Epinephrine and CPR certification.

Included in the course fee is also permission to camp (with your own tent) at the SHANA – Seminarhaus property, use of small indoor kitchen, outdoor grill and bath rooms and outdoor shower. Food is not included.

**LANGUAGE:** This Wilderness First Aid courses is taught in English. We hope to have a German speaking instructor who can help out with translations if needed.

**COURSE LOCATION:** SHANA – Seminarhaus, Zuckerhut 26, 23867 Sülfeld, Germany. Sülfeld is located approximately 45 minutes northeast of Hamburg. <a href="http://www.shana-seminarhaus.de">http://www.shana-seminarhaus.de</a>

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

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**MEALS & LODGING:** You are welcome to pitch your own tent or sleep under the stars, at the SHANA – Seminarhaus property. There are several small outbuildings where you can tuck in as well but be prepared to share with critters. There is a small indoor kitchen but you are welcome to bring your own camp stove, pots and utensils and cook outdoors. There is also an outdoor grill.

For more information about SHANA – Seminarhaus, the property, nearby stores etc. please email Thorn at <a href="mailto:traylor.margaret@protonmail.com">traylor.margaret@protonmail.com</a>

There are of course also many Air B&B's, guesthouses and rooms in private houses within 10-20 kilometer from SHANA – Seminarhaus. Check out Booking.com and enter Sülfeld, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany.

**SIGNING UP:** You get a spot on the course by paying the full course fee (€500.00) to Crossing Latitudes. Email us to make sure we have space on the course. We can invoice you or you can call us and pay with a VISA/MasterCard through our office in the Bozeman, Montana, USA (+1-406-585-5356).

You can also transfer the course fee to Crossing Latitudes bank in Sweden (PlusGiro 100 75 14-1 or BankGiro 525-6573). Once we have received your course fee we will email you a receipt and a course confirmation. See our cancellation policies further below.

**International Transfer** to Crossing Latitudes Swedish bank account:

Name of account: Crossing Latitudes, Inc. 420 West Koch Street, Bozeman, MT. 59715 USA.

IBAN: SE07 9500 0099 6034 1007 5141. BIC: NDEASESS

Bank address: Nordea Bank AB, SE-10571 Stockholm, Sweden.

Crossing Latitudes: <u>info@crossinglatitudes.com</u> Webpage: <u>http://www.crossinglatitudes.com</u> Phone (USA): 1-406-585-5356. Phone (Europe): +46-70-670 1153.

**CLASS FORMAT:** We start our Wilderness First Aid course course Friday August 11th at 08:00. You are welcome to arrive the evening before and pitch your tent. We will have class until 18:00 with a few short breaks and one hour lunch each day. On Saturday and Sunday classtime is 08:00 to 18:00.

No previous experience is needed. This course is for all who like to learn first aid. The format is classroom lectures integrated with practical scenarios. Scenarios, and practice sessions will take place both inside and outside. Please bring outdoor clothing appropriate for laying on the ground playing the role of both rescuer and patient. Fake blood and make-up will be used to emphasize the reality of a scenario. The fake blood will come off skin and clothing with a wash or two.

This Wilderness First Aid course can be used as a WAFA or WFR-Recertification course if you hold a valid (not expired or within your "re-entry" year) card from NOLS Wilderness Medicine. If you take this WFA to recertify you need to join an extra evening session on Saturday evening. You also need to do a written test on Sunday lunch hour.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Fast paced and hands-on, this Wilderness First Aid course covers a wide range of wilderness medicine topics for people who travel and enjoy the outdoors. Whether spending time in the backcountry is your passion or your profession, you should never have to ask, "What do I do now?" On this course, you'll learn how to prepare for the unexpected. In just a few days, you'll have the knowledge, skills and ability to make sound decisions in emergency situations.

This course is ideal for trip leaders, camp staff, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals in remote locations. NOLS Wilderness Medicine courses are pre-approved by such organizations as the American Camping Association, the United States Forest Service, and other governmental agencies.

In Europe NOLS Wilderness Medicine Wilderness First Responder and Wilderness First Aid courses are rapidly gaining recognition among the outdoor industry and summer camps. NOLS Wilderness Medicine have taught over 6000 participants Wilderness First Aid in Scandinavia and Europe since year 2000.

**TESTS:** There are **no** written or practical tests on this Wilderness First Aid course. You just have to be there, participate and do your best! **But if you take this course as Recertification** for a Wilderness Advanced First Aid (WAFA) or Wilderness First Responder (WFR) - meaning you hold a non-expired WAFA or WFR card from NOLS Wilderness Medicine - you must do both a written and a practical test. Please email us if you have questions about your certification status.

**COVID-19**: NOLS does no longer require students, participants, or employees to be vaccinated for COVID-19. Vaccination and being up-to-date on boosters is strongly encouraged but not required. NOLS provides KN95 masks and nitrile gloves to be used in all scenarios. We ask you to bring protective eyewear such as glasses, goggles, carpenter protection, readers ... We will do everything we can, but the risk can't be eliminated 100%.

#### **COVID Student Disclosure (ENGLISH):**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jCloXEoWBarFbF76pwdynAgtGvPd4al9uBEys8m0cvg/edit?usp=sharing

Another important document to read before signing up is our Student Agreement: http://www.nols.edu/en/filer/public/1481655159/906/

**QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COURSE CURRICULUM:** NOLS Wilderness Medicine is an internationally recognized program and we train participants to respond to emergencies in remote settings. For questions about our curriculum, style and courses in Europe please contact Lena Conlan at Crossing Latitudes.

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**WHAT TO BRING:** Please bring comfortable outdoor clothing. We will be doing lectures inside and scenarios outside every day. Wear clothing appropriate for the weather. We will be outside no matter what the weather is. NOLS provides nitrile gloves and KN95 masks and we ask you you to wear them during scenarios. Also bring some kind of protective eye wear (sunglasses, ski goggles, ordinary glasses or carpenter glasses are OK). NOLS Wilderness Medicine will bring medical equipment and outdoor gear for setting up realistic scenarios.

**NOLS WILDERNESS MEDICINE MISSION:** The Wilderness Medicine goal is to provide the highest quality education and information for the recognition, treatment, and prevention of wilderness emergencies.

NOLS Wilderness Medicine (<a href="https://nols.edu/en/courses/wilderness-medicine/">https://nols.edu/en/courses/wilderness-medicine/</a>) is the most recognized and respected teacher of wilderness medicine, training over 500,000 students around the world.

At NOLS Wilderness Medicine you will learn treatment principles and decision-making skills. Our courses are intensive. They will challenge your decision-making skills and they will get you ready. To date we have run courses internationally in USA, Australia, Canada, Nepal, Bhutan, Columbia, Costa Rica, Chile, India, Singapore,

Malasia, Kenya, Mexico, Norway, Switzerland, Finland, Thailand, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Germany, Hungary, Slovenia, Denmark, UK, Ireland, Italy and Tanzania.

**WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT:** Expect dynamic instructors with lots of international Backcountry and Emergency experience. Expect to spend lots of time outside with realistic scenarios. Expect feedback from your instructors daily. There will be intense but rewarding days. We have fun on NOLS Wilderness Medicine courses while learning about very serious topics.

You can expect a curriculum that is evidence-based, not just copied out of a textbook. We teach wilderness medicine practices and protocols that are supported by a physician-based medical advisory panel and disseminated by our curriculum director. This means you're getting the latest findings and protocols in the industry.

**WHAT DO WE EXPECT OF YOU?** We expect you to be on time each day. We expect you to come prepared each morning. We expect you to be respectful of other participants and our staff – both in the classroom and during our scenarios outside. We do not tolerate any kind of harassment. We expect you to take good care of our equipment. We hope you will ask us if you don't understand.

We ask that all participants' cell phones and computers will be turned off during class time. No smoking during our class time (which includes outside scenario time).

#### **CROSSING LATITUDES CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY**

If a student cancels or withdraws from a course:

- Prior to 7 days pre-course, sponsor will retain a €100.00 administrative fee.
- If you cancel 7 days before or you don't show up for the course you will receive €250.00 of your fee.
- If Crossing Latitudes or NOLS Wilderness Medicine cancel the course you will receive full refund.

We recommend that you protect yourself by buying travel insurance. Crossing Latitudes or NOLS Wilderness Medicine are not responsible for unused tickets, lodging or other expenses you have purchased if the course gets cancelled or you cancel the course.

NOLS Wilderness Medicine participants, including minors, will have unsupervised free time throughout the course. Any activities during the free time are not part of the NOLS Wilderness Medicine program and are at the sole risk of the participant.

No smoking or alcohol is allowed during course hours. No dogs are allowed in the classroom or during class outside. If you have a service dog please contact us.

#### **Wilderness First Aid Course Curriculum**

Infection Control
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
Introductions to Wilderness Medicine
Initial Assessment A B C D E
Focused Exam (Head-to-Toe assessment)
Vital Signs (LOR, HH, RR, SCTM)
Focused Medical History (SAMPLE)
Documentation, Emergency and Evacuation Plans
Spine- and Spinal Cord Injuries

**Head Injuries** 

Shock

Wilderness Wound Management, Burns & Infections

Athletic Injuries , Fractures & Dislocations

Heat Illness & Cold Injury

The Medical Patient: Diabetis, Epilepsy, Asthma, Heart Related problems, Abdominal issues

**Anaphylaxis** 

Wilderness First Aid Kits

### **Suggested Equipment List**

Day pack with extra layers (sweater, socks, long johns)

1 Pair of protective eyewear (sunglasses, ski goggles, carpenter glasses or ordinary glasses)

Outdoor clothing that will keep you warm and dry in all conditions

Rain jacket & pants

Hiking boots or waterproof boots

Indoor shoes (sneakers or sandals)

Scarf, hat, gloves

Head lamp with new batteries

Thermos & personal mug

Water bottle

Pen and paper

Towel and personal toiletries

Tent, sleepingbag and sleepingpad

## Please contact us with any questions or concerns you may have.

#### **Crossing Latitudes, Inc.**

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