



May/June 2009 Open Enrollment Courses

ACA Swiftwater Rescue

Cullowhee, NC May 23 - 24

ACA Swiftwater Rescue Instructor IDW/ICE

Cullowhee, NC May 4 - 8 **-Full**

Wilderness EMT-Basic

Cullowhee, NC May 25 - June 20 - **Wait List**

Wilderness Upgrade for Medical Professionals

Cullowhee, NC June 15 - 20

WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Responder

Cullowhee, NC May 9 - 17 - **Wait List**
Milledgeville, GA May 11 - 19

WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Responder Recertification

Valle Crucis, NC May 1 - 3
Cullowhee, NC May 18 - 20

WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Aid

Knoxville, TN May 7 - 8
Hampton, TN May 8 - 9
Jacksonville, AL May 12 - 13
Asheville, NC May 21 - 22 - Optional CPR
Sequatchee, TN May 23 - 24
Tuxedo, NC May 28 - 29
Asheville, NC June 6-7

SAI Wilderness Lifeguard Course

Asheville, NC June 5-6

PCIA Climbing Wall Instructor Course

Cullowhee, NC May 26 - 28

For course registration information visit our online calendar at <http://www.landmarklearning.org/course->

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Course Highlight - Wilderness Lifeguard

Dates: June 5-6 - Asheville, NC
June 27-28 - Bangor, Maine



The Wilderness Lifeguard course, designed in 2000, is a specific training program for backcountry trip leaders who may enter the water with their participant groups while traveling in remote environments. Upon successful completion of the course students receive a 2 year certification governed by the Starfish Aquatics Institute. This nationally delivered curriculum can be added to pool lifeguard training.

Highlights:

- * 2 day (18 hour) training with mornings in the classroom and afternoons in the water
- * Improvised flotation techniques
- * Site assessments and development of protected water zones
- * Swimmer screening
- * Development of emergency action plans
- * Spinal injury management
- * Scenario based training
- * Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation review and application to other skill sets
- * Written and practical testing at course end
- * Instructor training opportunities enabling organizations to conduct this training in house

This course meets and exceeds the AEE and ACA guidelines for lifeguarding.

For more information follow these links:

[What You Should Know!](#)

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Festival Time!

Landmark Learning will spend the last weekend in May enjoying the **Mountain Sports Festival** in Asheville, NC. The festival is running from Friday, May 29 - Sunday, May 31. This is a free event with lots of great music, fun races, and informative clinics. Landmark Learning will have an exhibitor booth there along with many other great local non-profits, retailers, and schools. The Mountain Sports Festival continues to grow each year. It is always fun to see familiar faces, so stop by and see us while you are out enjoying the sunshine!



Course Highlight - Relief Medic

Dates - August 15 - 27, Ecuador

Our Ecuador program meets in Quito, Ecuador, for 4 days of training before heading off to the Southern Andes Mountains for clinical time in small underserved villages. These courses are 14 days in length including housing, meals, equipment, and private transports by



van and/or dug-out canoe. Additional time for adventure travel, sight-seeing, and alpine hot springs is built into the itinerary. This course is designed for people who are interested in emergency care where advanced

hospital equipment and supplies are absent and where disease and traumatic injuries are specific to third world conditions. This training is second to none for individuals who want to practice their pre-hospital training while caring for an area of the world that needs volunteers.

Check out the following links for more information:

[Landmark Learning Blog](#)

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Instructor Highlight - Dusty Allison

Full Name: Dusty Allison

Nickname: "Dirty D"

With Landmark Learning Since: 2008

Courses Dusty Instructs: Leave No Trace
Master Educator



What are your "special" skills - your specific skill set that you contribute to

Landmark? Lived for three years out of a Subaru sponsored by companies such as The North Face, Coleman, Nike, Montbell and others teaching Leave No Trace across the lower 48. I now share my experiences and insight through instructing Leave No Trace courses for Landmark.

What other outdoor company (ies) have you worked for? River Runners Retreat, Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics, and Blue Ridge Outdoors magazine

What is your actual day/night job? Programs Director at Landmark Learning by day...Daddy-in-training by night.

What are your favorite outdoor activities? Trail running, hiking/backpacking, caving, sea kayaking, fly fishing, peakbagging, and anything involving a Frisbee.

Where are your favorite outdoor locations to visit? Obviously the Great Smoky-Nantahala-Pisgah complex but outside of that Southwest Colorado and the Four Corners region, the Greater Yellowstone/Tetons ecosystem and NC's Outer Banks.

Why do you work for Landmark? Landmark is a company that not only excels in what it does but also places positive human relationships and effective educational strategies at the forefront of its mission as an institution.

Any career or personal highlights you'd like to share? I helped to establish Brevard Academy, a K-8 NC public charter school outside of the Pisgah National Forest in Brevard, NC. I taught there for over six years and happy to report that it is now 10 years old and still thriving!

Any words of wisdom you live by or would like to share? "Life is too short to wait until you are 70 to begin trying to make up for lost time. Live hard and live now." - Dusty Allison



May Special!

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Coupon Code: MAY2009NL

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Summer 2009 Training Season is Filling Fast! Landmark Learning Calendar

Check out our [web calendar](#) for current courses and bookmark the page as the calendar is constantly changing as courses fill. Visit this page to download registration packets for courses running from our base in Cullowhee, NC, or for contact information for our sponsored courses.

Highlights Include:

[WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Aid, Wilderness Advanced First Aid, Wilderness First Responder and WFR Recertification, and Wilderness EMT in a "3+1" Format](#)

(see below). Plan ahead and prepare for the busiest training time of the year.

Please also visit www.nols.edu/wmi for a look at nationwide course availability.

[WFR](#): May 9 - 17, July 4 - 12,

[WFR Recertification](#): March 20-22, May 18-20, November 20-22

[WEMT Intensive](#): May 25 - June 20, July 13-August 8, October 5 - 31

[WUMP](#): January 26 - 30, June 15 - 20, August 3 - 8

[EMT-Basic](#): May 25 - June 13, July 13 - August 1, October 5-23

[SAI Wilderness Lifeguard Course](#): June 5-6

[Leave No Trace Master Educator](#): August 10 - 14

[ACA Swiftwater Rescue](#): May 23 - 24, July 18-19

[Relief Medic Ecuador](#): August 15 - 27

[PCIA Base Managed Climbing Instructor](#): October 1-4

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