

## Calendar of Events

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January 22, 2019  
- April 5, 2019

**AORE Campus Challenge - School Registration**  
**Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education**  
**1100 N Main St**  
**Ann Arbor, MI 48104**

*The 2019 AORE Campus Challenge Registration is open from January 22 – April 5, 2019 for Schools to Register! Choose a faculty member to help spread the word on your campus! For more information about the Campus Challenge and it's new home with AORE, go to <http://aorecampuschallenge.org/registration/>!*

February 8, 2019  
- April 14, 2019

**International Certifications Outdoor Leader Semester Course @ Costa Rica & Panama**  
**Outward Bound Costa Rica**  
**Rainforest Reserve Rio Tiribi,**  
**San Ramon de Tres Rios, Co 02070**

All day and night as much of course is field based  
Jim Rowe Phd. or Ryan Gibson, (+1) 800 676 2018  
[jim@outwardboundcr.org](mailto:jim@outwardboundcr.org)

*International Certification Outdoor Leader Semester is a course based in Costa Rica and Panama. This Outward Bound Costa Rica course combines seven internationally-recognized certifications and an in-depth study of the Outward Bound Costa Rica's experiential educational model. Participants can enroll to the whole semester course (65 days) and earn all seven certifications or, alternatively, enroll to just a portion of the course and earn one or more specific certifications.*

*Ages: 17 and up*

*Certifications include:*

*Wilderness First Responder (A.S.H.I.)*  
*CPR for Professional Rescuer (A.S.H.I.)*  
*River Guide Level III (I.R.F.)*  
*White Water Rescue Technician (Rescue 3)*  
*SCUBA (or Advanced) Diver (N.A.U.I.)*  
*Recreational Rappel Operator (Rescue 3)*  
*Waterfront Life-Guarding (American Red Cross)*

*Academic Credits:*

*Participants to the full 65-course are eligible for 10 academic credits, an an Independent Study program or as a transfer from our partner Western Colorado University. Download our Academic Credit Packet for more information.*

March 30, 2019  
- March 31, 2019

**Wilderness Risk Management with NOLS and REI @ Boulder, CO**

**Boulder REI**  
**1789 28th St**  
**Boulder, CO 80301**

9am - 5pm each day  
REI Outdoor Programs - Colorado, 303-756-3100 xt 806  
Denver-OS@rei.com

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April 11, 2019  
- April 18, 2019

**Wilderness First Responder Course @ Costa Rica**

**Outward Bound Costa Rica**  
**Calle Vindas**

**San Jose, Sa 30307**  
All Day  
Ryan Gibson, +18006762018  
enrollment@outwardboundcr.org

*The Wilderness First Responder (WFR) training is the single most important certification to have to work in the outdoor industry. Nearly every employer ranging from river rafting companies to outdoor education organizations require their staff to be certified WFR's. The skills you learn as a WFR are very practical can be applied anywhere at anytime.*

*Hosted in the tropical rainforests of Costa Rica - we deliver this course in a 7-day intensive format and pack a lot of information in a short amount of time. Be prepared to spend 10 hours a day in the classroom, and then have 2-3 hours of reading and homework assigned to you each night. Be ready to get muddy and sweaty as you learn to carry a patient on a litter up and down the steep footpaths of our rainforest base. You can sign up to this as part of our Outdoor Leader Semester program.*

*For more information on this course, visit  
[www.OutwardBoundCostaRica.org/Course/Outdoor-Leader-Semester/](http://www.OutwardBoundCostaRica.org/Course/Outdoor-Leader-Semester/)*

April 12, 2019  
- April 14, 2019

**Arkansas Regional Adventure Programming (ARAP) Conference @ Jasper, AR  
Horseshoe Canyon Ranch  
HC 70 261  
Jasper, AR 72641**

All Day Event  
Beckie Irvin, 4795752267  
rmirvin@uark.edu

*The Arkansas Regional Adventure Programming (ARAP) Conference is a student-oriented programming weekend for individuals that want to connect with other outdoor educational enthusiasts. The conference takes place at Horseshoe Canyon Ranch. This year's conference is brought to you in part by College Outside!*

*Not to miss this year!*

*No Man's Land Film Festival*

*Keynote address by Alex McKiernan about his return to big wall climbing after a debilitating spinal cord injury*

*Presentation by Sarah Lockwood, founder of College Outside*

*The conference continues to be a success with growing attendance and sponsorships each year, with last years' conference seeing over 120 participants from over a dozen different universities. The educational experience for conference attendees from the state of Arkansas and neighboring states is an invaluable experience for these students. It allows Arkansas attendees to share ideas and practices while attendees from neighboring states can learn about what Arkansas has to offer.*

April 12, 2019

**Outdoor Orientation Program Symposium (OOPS) [Pre-Con at AEE Northeast Regional]  
Berkshire Outdoor Center, Art Building**

9:00 AM  
AORE National Office,  
nationaloffice@aore.org

*OOPS is dedicated to bringing program directors, school administrators, student leaders, researchers, and land managers together to discuss strategies for supporting students in wilderness pre-orientation programs.*

*Every Symposium provides context for program development and growth, best practices, new program techniques, and nuts and bolts information that help established and aspiring outdoor orientation programs.*

*Additionally, our spring programs tend to be more student leader focused (e.g., training other leaders, discussing curricular features, participant team building).*

**PROGRAM COST**

*Professional Staff, \$110*

*Student Staff, \$55*

*Discounts available (15% off) for student groups of 5 or more from the same school.*

April 13, 2019  
- April 14, 2019

**Wilderness First Aid @ Kattskill Bay, NY**

**YMCA Camp Chingachgook**

**1872 Pilot Knob Road**

**Kattskill Bay, NY 12844**

9:00am

Taylor Esperti, 518-656-9462 x6634

tesperti@cdymca.org

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**Wilderness Risk Management with NOLS and REI @ Seattle, WA**

**Seattle REI**

**222 Yale Ave N**

**Seattle, WA 98109**

9am - 5pm each day

REI Outdoor Programs - Seattle, 206-470-4083

Seattle-OS@rei.com

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**Wilderness Risk Management with NOLS and REI @ Burbank, CA**

**Burbank REI**

**1900 W Empire Ave**

**Burbank, CA 91504**

9am - 5pm each day

REI Outdoor Programs - Greater Los Angeles, 310-683-3230

LosAngeles-OS@rei.com

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**Wilderness Risk Management with NOLS and REI @ Berkeley, CA**

**Berkley REI**

**1338 San Pablo Ave**

**Berkeley, CA 94702**

9am - 5pm each day

REI Outdoor Programs - Greater San Francisco, 408-579-9536

SanFrancisco-OS@rei.com

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April 16, 2019  
- April 17, 2019

**NOLS Risk Management Training @ Tucson, Arizona**  
**NOLS Southwest**  
**2751 N Soldier Trail**  
**Tucson, AZ 85749**  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day  
NOLS Risk Services, 307-335-2222  
risk\_services@nols.edu

***KICK YOUR RISK MANAGEMENT PRACTICES INTO TIP-TOP SHAPE!***

*In a NOLS Risk Management Training, you are given a framework from which to evaluate your own program's risk management plan. The framework is based on five areas of risk management: risk management oversight; core curriculum; administrative process; staff training and field risk management; and field support services and emergency planning. You will go through a series of exercises and you will be able to ask questions that are pertinent to your specific program and pertinent industry practices. The training culminates in an in-depth emergency scenario. You will leave the training having written a 10-step personalized action plan.*

***TOOLS YOU'LL RECEIVE***

*Risk Management Action Plan Workbook  
NOLS Crisis Management Template and NOLS Wilderness Medicine Protocol Package  
Resource examples and templates, including a risk release, health form, orientation checklist, transportation policy, and more.*

***SELF ASSESSMENT TOOL***

April 23, 2019  
- April 24, 2019

**NOLS Risk Management Training @ Charlestown, MA**  
**Appalachian Mountain Club**  
**10 City Square**  
**Charlestown, MA 02129**  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day  
NOLS Risk Services, 307-335-2222  
risk\_services@nols.edu

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May 7, 2019  
- May 8, 2019

**NOLS Risk Management Training @ Salt Lake City, UT**  
**Westminster College**  
**1840 South 1300 East**  
**Salt Lake City, UT 84105**  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day  
NOLS Risk Services, 307-335-2222  
risk\_services@nols.edu

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May 23, 2019

**AORE WEBINAR SERIES, EPISODE #2**  
**ONLINE**  
1:00 PM  
National Office,  
nationaloffice@aore.org

June 1, 2019  
- June 2, 2019

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June 10, 2019  
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September 3, 2019  
- September 15, 2019

**AORE Campus Challenge Pre-Registration for Participants**

**Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education**

**1100 N Main St**

**Ann Arbor, MI 48104**

*Sign up for the 2019 AORE Campus Challenge for your chance to win an Osprey backpack! Learn more at [aorecampuschallenge.org](http://aorecampuschallenge.org)!*

September 16, 2019  
- October 13, 2019

**AORE Campus Challenge**

**Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education**

**1100 N Main St**

**Ann Arbor, MI 48104**

*Sign up any time, download the app, and post your outdoor activities for a chance to rack up points and win prizes from our awesome sponsors! Learn more about the AORE Campus Challenge at [aorecampuschallenge.org](http://aorecampuschallenge.org)!*

October 30, 2019  
- November 1, 2019

**Wilderness Risk Management Conference @ Albuquerque, NM**  
**Hyatt Downtown Albuquerque**  
**330 Tijeras Ave NW**  
**Albuquerque, NM 87102**  
Starts at 5:00 p.m. on Oct. 30; ends at 9:00 p.m on Nov. 1  
WRMC, 307-335-2222  
wrmc@nols.edu

*Mark your calendar for the 26th annual conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 30-November 1, 2019.*

*The core objective of the Wilderness Risk Management Conference (WRMC) is to offer an outstanding educational experience to help you mitigate the risks inherent in exploring, working, teaching, and recreating in wild places.*

*Attend the WRMC to gain practical risk management skills, network with others in the industry, share field and administrative techniques, and help develop risk management standards for the outdoor adventure and education industries.*

November 13, 2019  
- November 15, 2019

**AORE AEE 2019 Conference**  
**Spokane Convention Center**  
**334 West Spokane Falls Blvd.**  
**Spokane, WA 99201**

AORE National Office,  
nationaloffice@aore.org

*AORE partners with AEE for the 2019 Annual Conference! This collaboration includes broadening collaboration within the fields of experiential education and outdoor recreation, creating higher-quality educational opportunities, building professional skills and knowledge, strengthening professionalism within their memberships, broadening networking opportunities, leveraging both communities in advocacy and public policy efforts, and raising awareness of the value and impact of experiential education and outdoor education.*