



WHERE IS GOD LEADING YOU?

God uses wilderness experiences to change you: make you a better follower of Jesus. But the outdoor industry is also a big business. It employs more people than information and education sectors combined. Americans spend more money on outdoor recreation than pharmaceuticals, household utilities, automobiles, or gasoline.

God's Kingdom needs Christian leaders in all segments of the outdoor economy. In addition, the 800+ Christian camps and conference centers in America need skilled and experienced outdoor leaders. Is God calling you to develop skills here—so you can both be changed and then help change others through wilderness experiences?

INTERESTED?

New students—contact Admissions at **800.44.FAITH** or go to:
www.cu.edu/Academics/OutdoorLeadership

Current students—talk to your advisor about the OL minor or individual outdoor leadership classes.

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OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP

He who forms the mountains...and treads the high places of the earth – the LORD God Almighty is His name. - Amos 4:13



GO BEYOND. TAKE CLASS OUTSIDE.

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Outdoor Leadership: a chance to experience creation, deepen your faith, and push yourself further than you thought you could go. God has always used outdoor settings to test people, birth vision, develop leaders, and reveal Himself.

On the mountains God gave the law to Moses. Jesus gave the Great Commission. John received his vision of the New Jerusalem.

At CCU, you'll see how the outdoors can be used by God to shape you into the leader and person he wants you to be.

***It's not about recreation.
It's about re-creation.***

ELECTIVE COURSES

Whether you take a few Outdoor Leadership courses or the entire minor, you'll find that the classes are less about what you do with your newfound skills and more about what being outdoors does to you.

- OUL 102 - Intro to Backpacking (1)
- OUL 108 - Intro to Rock Climbing (1)
- OUL 109 - Fly Fishing (1)
- OUL 119 - Ecological Interpretation (1)
- OUL 122 - Hiking Colorado 14ers (1)
- OUL 127 - Snowshoeing (1)
- OUL 202 - Facilitation and Group Processing (2)
- OUL 207 - Canoeing (1)
- OUL 215 - Snow Climbing (1)
- OUL 223 - Advanced Rock Climbing (2)
- OUL 225 - Snow Shelters and Winter Camping (1)
- OUL 227 - White-Water Rafting (1)
- OUL 305 - Challenge Course Instructor (2)
- OUL 308 - Avalanche Level 1 Certification (2)
- OUL 312 - LNT Certification and Stewardship of Creation (2)
- OUL 411 - Trekking: Everest Region of Nepal (2)
- OUL 412 - Trekking: Mt. Kilimanjaro (2)

***An adventure is only inconvenience
rightly considered.***

- G.K. Chesterton



REQUIRED COURSES

The OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP MINOR requires 18 credit hours of course work. Students must take the required courses below (nine credit hours), and nine credits from the elective courses to the left.

- OUL 100 - Introduction to Outdoor Leadership (2)
- OUL 131 - Backcountry Skills and Spiritual Transformation (3)
- OUL 230 - Biblical and Theological Foundations for Outdoor Leadership (2)
- OUL 404 - Management and Administration of Outdoor Programs (2)

OUR MISSION

The Outdoor Leadership Minor takes C.L.A.S.S. outside to pursue these goals:

- Character formation – developing perseverance and resiliency, embracing challenges, receiving identity and affirmation from the Father, and becoming more like Christ
- Leadership development – the Scriptures indicate God's strategy for developing leaders almost always involved transformative outdoor experiences
- Authentic community – developing relationships and making life-long friends by sharing experiences and unplugging from technology and the faux community of social media to be truly present with one another
- Skill acquisition – sound outdoor skills are prerequisites for risk management in leading self or others in any outdoor context, and a pioneering witness for Christ in the outdoor workplace is competency
- Spiritual transformation – moving people from their actual to potential in Christ, and learning to use outdoor experiences to encourage people to say "yes" to God

Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her.

- Hosea 2:14

FACULTY

Faculty are practicing professionals with advanced degrees and over 100 years of cumulative field experience. Certifications include American Mountain Guides Association, American Avalanche Association Pro, American Institute for Avalanche Research and Education, Association for Challenge Course Technology, Wilderness First Responder, Swift Water Rescue, and LNT Master Educator.

"The Scriptures indicate God's strategy for developing mission-focused leaders almost always involved transformative wilderness experiences."

- CCU Prof. Dr. Ashley Denton from his book, *Christian Outdoor Leadership*