



## Foundations of Endurance DTS

1. Endurance DTS is first and foremost a Youth With A Mission discipleship training school (DTS). For more general information about a DTS, please visit <http://www.ywam.org/dts/>.
2. In addition to the core DTS requirements (teachings/lectures, intercession, worship, small groups, 1 on 1's, work duties, outreach, etc), EDTS aims to develop the outdoor skill sets of our students, staff and EDTS team as a whole. The focus of our outdoor curriculum is two-fold - build "translatable" backcountry skills that are applicable to the mission field and build credible, industry-standard outdoor/backcountry skills that can lead to both outreach and future vocational opportunities post-EDTS.
3. Outreach

As with every DTS program in YWAM, EDTS includes at least 8 weeks of outreach focused across three areas, or actions, of evangelism/"convey", training/"change" and mercy ministry/"care". Visit <http://ywam.org/> for more information on this 3-fold ministry focus.

EDTS uniquely focuses on reaching out to individuals within the outdoor industry. This is accomplished throughout the school in number of ways. During lecture phase we aim to build relationships and "rub shoulders" with other outdoor enthusiasts (campers, racers, industry professionals, etc). Historically, we have spent approximately 2 weeks (of the 8 outreach weeks) in a location that is strategic to reaching outdoor enthusiasts with the gospel.

Additionally, we feel called as a school to use all of our outdoor training and skills in order to travel to, and thrive in, remote places while on outreach. Therefore it is possible that we will spend time on outreach trekking/hiking/biking into remote villages and locations.

## Goals of Endurance DTS – Endurance DTS Seeks To...

- Know God and make Him known in the outdoor industry.
- Support, serve and encourage Christians within the outdoor industry and Christian outdoor ministries worldwide.
- Teach backcountry skills with an eye for use as mission-field skills (i.e. "translatable skills").
- Teach, learn and execute excellent outdoor skills in such a way to build credibility with those we interact with within the outdoor industry.
- Interact with as many people as we can within the outdoor industry and general outdoor sphere.
- Offer fellowship and hospitality to those we rub shoulders with.
- Build relationships, and communicate with integrity, with parks, agencies, businesses and individuals.