

Fall 2021 WFAC

- 1) The National Sierra Club requirements for running a lodge event (i.e., three-day WFAC at Harwood Lodge) under COVID precautions are still under development and will not be available until sometime this fall. In light of this, the WFAC Board has cancelled the planned three-day WFAC and given the go-ahead to a two-day WFAC this fall.
- 2) The next three-day WFAC (at Harwood Lodge) is scheduled for May 13-15, 2022
- 3) The Fall 2021 WFAC will be held on Sat Oct 30 and Sun Oct 31
- 4) A similar two-day WFAC was held in May 2021 and was very well received. Out of the 20 students, 17 rated the course as “excellent”; three rated it as “very good”. One of the students made the following comment –
“This 16-hour course rivaled any 24-hour course I have taken.”
- 5) Instruction will be 8:00 am to 5:30 pm on both days. Registration will begin around 7:20 am both days.
- 6) Course fee is \$150
- 7) Saturday location is First Presbyterian Church in Fullerton
- 8) Sunday location is Kiwanis Park in Fullerton
- 9) No meals and no overnight camping are provided
- 10) Proof of hands-on CPR instruction (within the past 5 years) and proof of COVID vaccination are required to enroll
- 11) Masks will be required – details tbd
- 12) No “trusted partner” requirement for enrollment (as in the Spring 2021 course)
- 13) Every student will be lead rescuer on one 25-minute simulation with 1:1 instructor supervision.
- 14) See attached schedule for details on topics covered and class timing, etc.
- 15) This will not be a Sierra Club activity. However, the (Sierra Club) Angeles Chapter will still recognize it as satisfying the first aid requirement for O-level leadership and as a refresher for all leadership levels.
- 16) If you are a Sierra Club Angeles Chapter leadership candidate for I, M or E-level leadership, this course does not fulfill the first aid requirement. If you do not wish to wait for the next scheduled three-day WFAC (Spring 2022), please see the three-day Extended WFA course offered by Adventure Risk Management at <https://adventureriskmanagement.com/wilderness-medicine/course-schedule/#WFA>
- 17) If you can spare a little extra time and \$, the two-day WFAC is an excellent introduction to the protocols and topics of the three-day course. Someone who takes the two-day course first will get a great deal more out of the three-day WFAC and will come out of the course a more capable wilderness first aider.