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# OUTDOOR LEARNING: CONNECTING NATURE FOR EDUCATION

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## Course Overview

Outdoor Learning is an educational approach that emphasizes the use of the natural environment as a classroom and incorporates nature-based experiences to improve learning outcomes. This course aims to provide educators with the knowledge, strategies, and practical tools to effectively implement outdoor learning as a model of education.

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## Course Objectives

- Understand the principles and benefits of outdoor learning as an educational approach.
- Explore various strategies and methodologies for incorporating outdoor learning into the curriculum.
- Identify and analyze suitable outdoor environments for learning activities.
- Develop skills in planning and designing outdoor learning experiences.
- Learn techniques for integrating subject-specific content into outdoor learning activities.
- Acquire knowledge of risk assessment and safety protocols for outdoor learning settings.
- Foster an understanding of the social and emotional benefits of outdoor learning for students.

# Learning Outcomes

This course focuses on outdoor learning, emphasizing the natural environment as a classroom. Educators will gain knowledge, strategies, and practical tools to implement outdoor learning effectively. The aim is to enhance learning outcomes through nature-based experiences, enriching educational practices and promoting engaging, hands-on learning environments.

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**Price:** All expenses can be covered through a Knowledge Acquisition (KA) subsidy within the Erasmus+ initiative. This is a 5-day training course in which Mobility Friends imposes a fee of **350€ per attendee, in courses located in the cities of the Continent and Madeira island. The fee for Azores island is 480€ per attendee. The price includes the training course and a coffee break.**

For **groups of 5 or more people**, please contact us for pricing details.

**Duration:** 5-Day Course

**Language:** English

**Schedule:** The time of classes, whether in the morning or afternoon is determined by the provider. The schedule may vary considerably based on participants' preferences and the trainer's discretion regarding any modifications.

**Certificate:** A Certificate of Attendance will be awarded to participants who attend minimum of 80% of the course.

**Other Services:** Mobility Friends offers various services for you. We handle everything from accommodation to cultural visits and transfers. Contact us to learn how we can assist you with your travel logistics.

# PLANNER

## DAY 1

- **Course Overview and learning objectives for the session.**
- **Introduction to outdoor learning as a model of education.**
- **Discuss the benefits of outdoor learning for students and teachers.**
- **Sharing research and case studies on the impact of outdoor learning.**

## DAY 2

- **Explore the key principles of outdoor learning.**
- **Discuss different pedagogical approaches used in outdoor learning.**
- **Examine how outdoor learning aligns with educational philosophies.**
- **Planning and adaptation of outdoor classes.**

## DAY 3

- **Understand the importance of aligning outdoor learning with curriculum standards.**
- **Examine how outdoor learning can support subject-specific goals.**
- **Collaborative activity: Mapping of curricular connections for different thematic areas.**
- **Reflect on ways to connect outdoor learning with classroom instruction and assessments.**

## DAY 4

- **Discuss the importance of safety in outdoor learning experiences.**
- **Identification of potential risks and hazards in different outdoor environments.**
- **Sharing strategies for risk assessment and management in outdoor environments.**
- **Collaborative activity: Develop a safety and risk management plan for an outdoor learning activity.**

## DAY 5

- **Explore strategies for designing engaging outdoor learning experiences.**
- **Discuss the use of question-based learning and hands-on activities in outdoor settings.**
- **Collaborative Activity: Design an engaging outdoor learning experience for a specific topic or subject.**
- **Reflect on how to incorporate student interests and research into outdoor learning design.**
- **Feedback and evaluation of the course.**

\*Please note that program content may be subject to change based on input from our trainers.




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