



Application Pack Info

Thank you for your interest in this course! It is our intention that the application process serves as a valuable tool in helping you, your church and us in Youth With A Mission (YWAM) prayerfully evaluate whether this is the right course for you at this time.

Included in this pack:

- 0 Information Page
- 1 Application
- 2 Pastor/ Church Leader Reference
- 3 Employer/ Teacher Reference
- 4 Mature Christian Friend Reference
- 5 Personal Medical History
- 6 Medical Report
- 7 Police Clearance Info

Option 1

Complete the application PDF on your computer and e-mail it back.

This works best using the latest version of the Adobe Reader on a Mac or PC. You can download it for free from <http://get.adobe.com/reader>.

Other operating systems and PDF readers might still work, but not utilise all built-in functions. Don't open and/or save in Google docs.

Option 2

Complete the application PDF on your computer, print it and send by regular mail.

Please see the note about the PDF reader above.

Option 3

You can print the forms out blank, complete them by hand and return them by regular mail.

If you need more space to answer a question, please use separate sheets of paper, either handwritten or a printed text document.



How to complete this application:

Please answer all of the questions on this application form. We will need your full application form before we can process your application. After completion, please send it back to the appropriate registrar's office address listed at the bottom of this page.

Husbands and wives enrolling as trainees must complete separate application forms.

Important note:

We do not begin processing until all parts of the application have been received,

including references, medical report and police clearance. The processing usually takes four to six weeks. Applicants from outside the EU require a minimum of 3 months processing time. Early applications are preferred to help us prepare successful applicants for their arrival.

Also, please understand that acceptance onto the course is never guaranteed as we do consider each application individually, seeking the Lord's direction for what is best for both applicant and the course.

About signatures:

A. If you are familiar with **digital signatures**, add them by drawing a signature field in the appropriate space.

B. If you don't use digital signatures, please sign by **re-typing your full name in the signature text box**. You will be required to counter-sign in person when you arrive for your course. Or you can print, sign and send by regular mail.

C. If you are **under age**, any page requiring your signature, must be printed out and signed by a parent or legal guardian and sent by regular mail.

A Helpful Checklist:

Please mark each completed task:

- Completed and sent the **application form**
- Entered the required details on the **reference forms (3x)**
- Sent reference form to **employer/teacher**
- Sent reference form to **mature Christian friend**
- Sent reference form to **Pastor/Church Leader**
- Completed **personal medical history**
- Completed **medical report** by Doctor
- Signed and included **liability, consent** and **commitment page**
- Sent **Police Clearance** copy
- Included **2 recent photos**
- Included **application fee**

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More Locations

For info on other YWAM Locations in Scotland please check our website:

ywamscotland.org/locations



How to complete this application:



For you to return:

Application Form

Personal Medical History

This is to be completed by you. Please take it with you to your doctor's appointment.

Has to be printed!

Medical Report

This is to be completed by your personal physician. Please take your Personal Medical Report with you to your doctor's appointment and have it looked over.

Has to be printed!

Photos

Please send TWO recent photographs of yourself (*They can be the same photo*).

Be sure to send photos that only show yourself, nobody else in the frame.

Attach one to the application form.

If emailing them, please be sure to send them in high resolution (a minimum of 450 x 600 pixel is usually fine). JPEG and PNG formats are preferred.

Administration Fee

Your non-refundable application fee of £25 (*British Pound Sterling- GBP*) needs to be included when you apply. A personal cheque for the equivalent (check the exchange rate!) in any of the following currencies: Canadian, US, New Zealand, or Australian dollars can be accepted.

Police Clearance

For others to return on your behalf:

References

Included in this pack are three reference forms to be sent to the referees you have selected.

One is for **a spiritual leader in your church** who knows you well; this might be one of the pastors or a youth leader you regularly relate to.

The other two references are for **a mature Christian friend**, and for your **employer or teacher** (someone who knows you in a work or classroom setting).

Please fill in the first page with your school information and personal details. We suggest you give your referee a stamped addressed envelope or point out which e-mail address to use and ask that they return the forms directly and as soon as possible.

Fast Track

To speed up proceedings, please scan or take a high resolution photo of any printed page and e-mail it ahead of posting, so we can start processing your application.



Discipleship Training School Info

What is a YWAM-DTS?

The Discipleship Training School is typically a 6 month course (some are longer). People, aged 18 and older, from all over the world, representing different denominations and cultures, come together for in-depth teaching and training in Christian living and evangelism, with a view to be involved in missions either short or long term at home or in a different country. The course is divided into two parts: the lecture phase and the outreach phase.

What are the specific aims of a YWAM-DTS?

The Discipleship Training School (YWAM-DTS) is a prerequisite for all other YWAM courses, and is a requirement for becoming staff anywhere in YWAM. The purpose of the YWAM-DTS is:

1. To **GATHER** and **CHALLENGE** people to worship, listen to and obey God, releasing them to serve through evangelism, intercession, acts of compassion and other expressions of God's heart for the world, possibly even pioneering new ministries.
2. To **INSPIRE** and **CULTIVATE** growth in one's relationship with God resulting in Christ-like character, which is based on a solid Biblical foundation, the work of the Holy Spirit and the personal application of Biblical truth, especially concerning God's character, the cross and empowering grace.
3. To **SHARPEN** one's ability to relate to, learn from and work with people, including those of different cultures, personalities and perspectives.
4. To further **EQUIP** each one to serve God's purposes either in or outside of YWAMs Family of Ministries, strengthening a commitment to reach the lost, to care for the poor, and to influence all areas of society.
5. To **IMPART** the vision and foundational values of Youth With A Mission International as well as that of the host operating location and to provide information regarding a variety of opportunities for service.

During your YWAM-DTS you will join our community in a routine of prayer, worship and work. Your timetable will also include teaching, small groups, practical work, local community work, outreach preparation, free time to explore Scotland, rest, play, study...

Outreach

Outreaches provide a practical follow-up to the teaching, establishing a balanced understanding of evangelism and an opportunity for trainees to experience the transforming power of God working in the lives of people. Opportunities for evangelism may include such areas as coffee bars; door-to-door visits; street preaching; drama/music; church renewal work; literature distribution; youth work, etc.

Each YWAM-DTS outreach locations differ, and usually are not confirmed until just prior or even after the start of the course.



In applying for the YWAM-DTS

1. We ask that you consider what our expectations of you would be during the time of your YWAM-DTS. We expect applicants and future trainees to actively take part in all aspects of the application process and the course. We ask that each trainee comes to the YWAM-DTS willing...
 - to be open-minded and hearted to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
 - to be challenged to live life for the sake of God's purposes (i.e. in how you spend your time, your money, in your relationships and nurturing a heart for mission work).
 - to hold plans for the future in an "open hand" so that you are ready to go wherever God sends you and to do whatever He says to do.
 - to be respectful of diversity in culture, language, and ideas that others have.
2. It is very important that the minister/pastor of your local church is aware of your plans to do a YWAM-DTS.
3. From the date your application is COMPLETE, please allow four to six weeks for us to process it. As well, we encourage you to not put any other plans on hold or to make travel arrangements until you have received an official acceptance letter from us.
4. If you are accepted for the course, we will send you travel information, guidelines on what to bring (clothing, luggage, etc.) and information on visas for foreign/non-EEC trainees.

General

If you live close enough, you might like to visit the course location before the YWAM-DTS. Please contact us by phone or email.

Food

If you require a particular diet for medical reasons, **please make it very clear to us in advance.** We will do our best to help provide alternatives, but be advised that you may need to assist to ensure your needs are met.

Accommodation

Accommodation is generally dormitory style. There will be separate accommodation for married trainees, but bathroom and shower facilities are all shared. There is limited space for married couples. If you have children, it is possible that you will have to share the same room. Accommodation for local community based YWAM-DTS teams can vary.

Family

Husbands and wives are strongly encouraged to attend together. If you have children, one parent is excused from work duties; however, both parents will be expected to take part in all teaching and meetings.



Costs

The YWAM-DTS is a self-financing programme; therefore, it is expected that you will have the **course fees before your arrival at the school**. The costs for your particular course and any accompanying children are included in the cover letter.

YWAM-DTS fees have two parts:

1. The **fee for the lecture phase** in Scotland. This covers meals and accommodation, course materials, speaker fees and includes the non-refundable fees: £25 registration fee and £150 room reservation fee/ deposit (required after acceptance).
2. The **deposit fee for the outreach phase**. Depending on location this covers costs for local transport, accommodation and food. Some destinations will incur additional cost.

All outreach fees must be paid in full before leaving on outreach.

Vaccinations

In addition to the outreach fees, be aware that **you are responsible for any vaccinations and medicines you may require, as well as the cost for travel insurance** if required. Please have all vaccinations you are likely to need before coming to the course as, attending the local travel clinic does inevitably cause some disruption to lectures and other activities.

Payment

Each course location will advise you of the easiest way to pay your YWAM-DTS fees.

Please note that your tuition fees are due in full upon arrival. We do accept American, Canadian, New Zealand, and Australian dollar cheques. You will be charged a £1 commission fee per cheque. We also accept cash for payment. Commission fees vary. Visa or Mastercard can be used for payment but only after the cardholder has arrived. The cardholder must be present to sign the voucher for any credit card transactions. In addition, we must add a surcharge of 2.6% of the total you wish to pay by credit card, which covers the fees we are charged for this service. Please do not send US Postal money orders as payment; they are not legal tender outside of the USA. We strongly encourage payment **online through paypal** or bank transfer as it is quick, safe and efficient (the applicant is responsible to cover any fees charged by the service provider).

Cash machines are available and are an efficient and easy way to access personal funds. It is not possible to cash personal cheques through YWAM after the start of the school.

Refunds

It is expected that trainees continue throughout the entire course. However, in cases of termination or withdrawal from the programme, each training location has a refund policy.

Spending Money

You will have personal expenses - stamps, toiletries, laundry, telephone, snacks, outings, public transportation etc. If you plan to stay beyond the end of the school, alternative accommodation arrangements might be necessary at your cost. Keep in mind that the pound is strong against most currencies and the cost of living in Scotland is high.



Visas

A visa is required for those who live outside of the EEA to join us. The visa laws regularly change in the UK so when coming for a YWAM-DTS, it is very important to apply for a visa **AFTER** you've been accepted onto the course.

You should **NOT book any kind of travel** (air ticket, etc) until you have been successfully granted your visa. A visa can only be obtained outside of the United Kingdom and the status cannot be changed once you are within the UK.

If you purchase a one-way ticket, you must have evidence with you when you enter the UK to prove to immigration officials (if they ask) that funds are available for you to return home. Failing to do this could result in you not being allowed to enter the country. You will need a valid passport, and you must renew it before leaving home if it will expire less than 6 months after you are due to return to your home country. (For example, if you leave the UK in June 2020 after your course finishes, your passport must be valid until at least December 2020.)

Please note you are **NOT a student** but a **TRAINEE** of a religious organisation and therefore a religious worker. The cost for this visa is around £200 (subject to change) and is in addition to course fees, a personal expense. Also keep in mind any potential costs required to travel to local government agencies to secure a visa.

Because of the sensitive nature of dealing with immigration, we ask that you do not contact the British Embassy until we have sent the details you need. **Failure to adhere to this will mean you waste your money** as you will be denied the visa and have to re-apply. If you have any questions about visas, please get in touch with us.



Insurance

For trainees from European Union (EEA) countries, medical treatment is free with a valid EHIC form that is filled out and signed by the appropriate person. Trainees from countries outside the EEA are not covered by the EHIC, therefore, **YOU MUST TAKE OUT MEDICAL INSURANCE FOR THE YWAM-DTS that includes coverage of all pre-existing medical conditions.**

During the outreach you may be in another country. YWAM requires that you purchase travel insurance for the outreach and that specific country. Unfortunately, we are not usually able to tell you the exact dates and location for outreach until the lecture phase is underway. However your coverage needs to include the following:

- Medical and hospitalisation coverage
- Loss of personal belongings, money, or passport
- Personal accident and liability coverage
- Legal advice and expenses
- Evacuation in case of emergency or body return in case of death

If you are not sure if you require a medical and/or travel insurance, please contact your course location and they can advise you.

Termination of trainee from the course

Here are some of the reasons trainees may be terminated from the course:

- They act violently towards another person.
- They threaten another person.
- They sexually harass another person.
- They steal.

Any incident will be assessed individually but if a trainee demonstrates any of the above listed behaviours they may be asked to leave the school immediately and local authorities may be called.



Purpose

This application form will be used for the recruiting, selection and registration process for training courses and/or volunteer staff positions. We will also use it to communicate with you and your referees as required for those purposes.

Privacy

Access to this form is restricted to YWAM Scotland staff responsible for the recruitment and selection process for the team or course that you are applying to join. Beyond that, we operate a need-to-know-only policy for your personal information that includes senior staff, course or outreach staff, UofN course registrars, immigration regulators, and local governmental agencies. We never sell your data to third parties and will not share it without your consent.

Data Protection

This information will be securely retained by YWAM Scotland in accordance with Data Protection legislation. Unless we receive permission otherwise, your data will be kept no longer than necessary for the stated purposes and no longer than 6 months after you cease your involvement with YWAM at this location unless required by law or insurance providers.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding our privacy policy please direct them to: info@ywamscotland.org



What is Youth With A Mission?

Youth With A Mission is an international volunteer movement of Christians from many backgrounds, cultures and Christian traditions, dedicated to serving Jesus throughout the world. Also known as YWAM (pronounced “WHY-wham”), our purpose is simply to know God and to make Him known.

When YWAM began in 1960, our main focus was giving young people opportunities to demonstrate the love of Jesus to the whole world, according to His command in Mark 16:15 *“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature”*. Today, we still focus on youth, but we have members (known as “YWAMers”) of almost every age and many of our short-term efforts have grown into long-term endeavours that have impacted lives and nations.

YWAM has a decentralised structure that encourages new vision and the exploration of new ways to change lives through training, convey the message of the gospel and care for those in need. We are currently operating in more than 1000 locations in over 180 countries, with a staff of over 18,000.

Three Methods of Action

YWAM embraces three methods of action – ways which we believe God has given us to be a part of the goal of taking the gospel to the entire world:

- **Evangelism** – spreading God’s message.
- **Training** – preparing workers to reach others.
- **Mercy Ministries** – showing God’s love through practical assistance.

Evangelism

From Sweden to Saipen, YWAM workers are announcing salvation in dozens of creative ways: ministry to the needy inner cities of the world, reaching university campuses, outreach at international sporting events, participating in drama and music, sharing door-to-door in an African village or an European town, or being part of a ship ministry. In each evangelism effort, we follow up new Christians, linking them with established churches or fellowship wherever possible.

Training

We are engaged in various training programmes in a number of locations on every continent.

The Discipleship Training School (YWAM-DTS) or Crossroads Discipleship Training School (CDTS) make up the basic programme for most YWAM bases around the world.

In addition there are special schools including schools of Christian counselling, preschool teacher training, missionary paramedics, foreign language studies, missions and biblical studies.



University of the Nations

University of the Nations (U of N) has a unique international and missions-oriented emphasis. Courses and seminars are being offered through the following colleges: Christian Ministries, Communication, Counselling and Health Care, Education, Humanities and International Studies, Performing Arts, and Science and Technology.

Mercy Ministries

Our mercy ministries seek to demonstrate the love of God to the poor and needy in practical ways.

Mercy ministries meet some of the practical and physical needs of over 400,000 people annually. Caring for street children in South America; aiding in the recovery of drug addicts in North America and Western Europe; feeding and housing refugees and women in need in Africa and Asia, operating ocean-traversing ships demonstrating and declaring the Good News practically and verbally, are just some of the ways in which helping hands are extended.

If you are interested in knowing more about Youth With A Mission, we would encourage you to read the book *Is That Really You God?* by Loren Cunningham with Janice Rogers.

YWAM Statement of Purpose

Youth With A Mission (YWAM) is an international movement of Christians from many denominations dedicated to presenting Jesus personally to this generation, to mobilising as many as possible to help in this task, and to the training and equipping of believers for their part in fulfilling the Great Commission. As citizens of God's kingdom, we are called to love, worship, and obey our Lord, to love and serve His Body, the Church, and to present the whole Gospel for the whole person throughout the whole world.

We of Youth With A Mission believe that the Bible is God's inspired and authoritative word, revealing that Jesus Christ is God's son; that people are created in God's image; that He created us to have eternal life through Jesus Christ; that although all people have sinned and come short of God's glory, God has made salvation possible through the death on the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ; that repentance, faith, love and obedience are fitting responses to God's initiative of grace towards us; that God desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth; and that the Holy Spirit's power is demonstrated in and through us for the accomplishment of Christ's last commandment, "...Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15)