

RECREATION ADMINISTRATION



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Degree Offerings: B.S., Recreation Administration

Minors: Recreation Administration, Tourism, American Humanics (Nonprofit Administration), Outdoor Leadership, Facility & Event Management

Program Accreditation: The NRPA Council on Accreditation

Program Description:

The Recreation Administration program has undergone many exciting changes over the last seven years including the hiring of five new faculty, facility renovation, and curriculum revision. The program continues to offer students a comprehensive professional preparation enabling them to enter the field of recreation with self-confidence, pride, and great expectations.

Career Opportunities:

"The overall employment of recreation and fitness workers is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2010, as increasing numbers of people spend more time and money on leisure and fitness services." (Occupational Outlook Handbook (2002), <http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos058.htm>)

Graduates of the program find employment opportunities in the following areas:

- Campus Recreation
- Commercial Recreation
- Correctional Recreation
- Environmental Education
- Fish and Wildlife Services
- Military Recreation (MWR)
- Municipal Parks and Recreation
- National and State Parks
- Non-Profit Agencies
- Outdoor Recreation
- Sport-related Agencies
- Therapeutic Recreation
- Travel and Tourism
- Youth Sports

Bachelor of Science in Recreation Administration:

The major in recreation (reference number 589) requires 48 semester hours and leads to a Bachelor of Science degree. Recreation majors must complete the following courses: **REC 200, 302, 304, 306, 320, 402, 404, 406, 490 (12 hours)**. Additional courses to meet the requirements of the major must be approved by the recreation advisor. For detailed information visit www.wku.edu/recreation

Internship: All undergraduate Recreation majors must complete a minimum of 150 contact hours before they are given approval to begin their 400-hour internship. Each student must meet the following requirements to be eligible for REC 490 Internship:

Have completed all required courses for major (a total of 27) AND

Have completed at least 150 Contact Hours since declaring the major AND

Have a 2.0 GPA overall AND

Have received a "C" or better in each course fulfilling major requirements (core and electives). EXCEPTION – a student may count up to 3 credit hours of "D" as a part of their major requirements.

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Fall			First Year			Spring		
ENG	100	3	Intro to College Writing			3	General Education Course	
COMM		3	145 OR 161	ENG	200	3	Intro to Literature	
		3	Foreign Language			3	General Education Course	
		3	General Education Course	REC	302	3	Recreation Leadership	
REC	200	3	Intro to Recreation	HIST		3	119 OR 120– Western Civilization	
						1	General Education Course (Cat. F)	
Credit	Hours	15		Credit	Hours	16		

Fall			Second Year			Spring		
REC	304	3	Tech Applications in Recreation	REC	306	3	Recreation Program Planning	
MATH		3	109 OR 116			3	General Education Course	
ENG	300	3	Writing in the Disciplines			3	General Education Course	
		3	General Education Course			3	Recreation Elective	
		3	General Education Course			3	General Elective	
		1	General Education Course (Cat. F)					
Credit	Hours	16		Credit	Hours	15		

Fall			Third Year			Spring		
REC	320	3	Recreation Seminar	REC	404	3	Recreation Facility Management	
REC	402	3	Fiscal Practices in Recreation	REC		3	Recreation Elective	
		9	General Electives			10	General Electives	
Credit	Hours	15		Credit	Hours	16		

Fall			Fourth Year			Spring		
REC	406	3	Recreation Administration	REC	490	12	Internship in Recreation	
REC		3	Recreation Elective					
REC		3	Recreation Elective					
		6	General Electives					
Credit	Hours	15		Credit	Hours	12		

Total Credit Hours = 120

Recommended Recreation Electives (all electives 3 hours unless noted otherwise):

REC 220, 235, 320, 322, 326, 328, 330, 332, 335, 337, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 435, 437, 439, 482 (1-3), 484, 494 (1), 496(6)