

Raymond Poff

Education

- Ph.D. Leisure Behavior (2001)
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- Dissertation Title: Understanding the relationships between involvement, commitment, and future behavior intentions of kayakers and canoeists using structural equation modeling.
- Dissertation Committee:
Dr. Alan W. Ewert (Chair)
Dr. Daniel D. McLean, Dr. Ruth V. Russell, and Dr. David M. Koceja
- M.S. Recreation (1997)
Major: Recreation Administration
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- B.S. Recreation Management and Youth Leadership (1995)
Emphasis: Administration
Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

Academic/Administrative/Scholarly Appointments

- Western Kentucky University**, Bowling Green, KY (2002-present)
Professor, School of Kinesiology, Recreation & Sport, 2014-present
Director, WKU McChesney Field Campus, 2025-present
Program Coordinator, B.S. Recreation Administration, 2013-present
Program Coordinator, Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Administration, 2013-present
Associate Professor, Dept. of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport, 2006-2014
Program Coordinator, Nonprofit Administration minor, 2003-2013
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physical Education and Recreation, 2002-2006
- Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership** (2008-present)
Editor-in-Chief (January 2024-present)
Managing Editor (2008-2017; 2021-2023)
- Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership** (2009-present)
Managing Editor
- Southwest Texas State University***, San Marcos, TX (2001-2002)
Assistant Professor, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
*Renamed Texas State University at San Marcos
- Indiana University**, Bloomington, IN (1998-2001)
Associate Instructor, Department of Recreation and Park Administration
- Indiana University**, Bloomington, IN (1998-2001)
Instructor, IU Outdoor Adventures

Experience Highlights

Strategic Responsibilities:

- Experience operating WKU programs (as a program coordinator) since 2006.
- Experience managing travel-based learning programs with complex logistics.
- Professional experience managing and/or working with university outdoor programs with rental, retail, repair, and outdoor travel programs.
- Strategic planning and management course during master's degree program.
- Co-authored basic article on strategic planning with WKU graduate student. Poff, R., & Harris, M. (2005). Strategic planning: An essential managerial tool. *Kentucky Recreation and Parks*, 55(1), 11-13.
- Strategic Planning Committee, IU Dept. of Recreation and Park Administration (1995-1996)

Leadership examples:

- National
 - Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership
 - President, Past-President, and board member of the Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE)
 - AORE Research and Publications committee chairperson
 - Presidential Advisory Council
 - Helped created and lead national committee to create the Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership (JOREL). Experience serving as managing editor.
 - Helped created and lead national committee to create the Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership (JNEL). Experience serving as managing editor.
 - Being honored with the 2007 AORE Jim Rennie Leadership Award: "The Jim Rennie Leadership Award recognizes contributions to AORE which are far beyond the ordinary and which have had a significant and lasting impact on the Association and its mission. The award also recognizes professional work or leadership of unusual significance in the field of outdoor recreation and education."
- WKU
 - **University-level** committees such as the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs Search Committee; Budget Executive Committee; Provost's Advisory Council; Advisory/Ad Hoc Committee on Continuance, Promotion, and Tenure; Faculty Mentoring Award Committee, Academic Technology Advisory Group, Student Research Council.
 - **College-level** committees such as Sabbatical and Faculty Awards Committee, Research and Grants Committee, and Graduate Curriculum Committee.
 - **School-level** committees such as Faculty Workload Evaluation Committee; KRS Tenure and Promotion Guidelines Revision Committee (three times); faculty search committees; KRS Continuance, Promotion, and Tenure Committees.

Program data tracking/reporting:

- Regular responsibilities related to gathering, compiling, and disseminating data for ongoing program accreditation.
- Work with faculty colleagues to review outcome data, make decisions regarding possible adjustments to outcomes and metrics, and to prepare the annual progress report.
- Participation in collecting and reporting data related to university strategic goals and outcomes during most of WKU career.

Tenure and Promotion:

- Served as committee chair during the School of KRS Tenure and Promotion guidelines revision processes in 2006, 2012-13, and 2020.
- Have served on several cases (2019-2022) referred by President Caboni to the WKU Advisory/Ad Hoc Committee on Continuance, Tenure, and Promotion; served as the chair for one of these cases. This committee provides recommendations to President Caboni on faculty appeals related to continuance, tenure, and/or promotion.
- Nearly 15 years of experience reviewing faculty portfolios submitted for CTP consideration as a committee member or chairperson.

Research leadership / institutional initiatives:

- Served on the CHHS Research and Grant Committee from 2005-2008; chaired committee in 2006. This was prior to CHHS having an Associate Dean for Research.
- Served five years on the University Faculty Scholarship Council reviewing research funding proposals from WKU faculty. This robust internal funding process (three different faculty funding programs) preceded the current RCAP program. (2003-2008)
- Review and give advice on RCAP policy and procedure
- Two years of service (2007-2009) on the WKU Student Research Council. These were the inaugural two years of this council initiated by the Provost and the university-wide student research conference being administered by the council. Prior to this, the Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society managed a student research conference. Chair-elect, Chair, and Member. Helped plan and execute annual student research conference.
- In coordination with the Office of Sponsored Programs, I developed and led an initiative to implement a faculty mentored undergraduate research funding program for WKU. The program was not implemented but help prime the campus community culture for the future FUSE program. (2005-2006)
- Campus presentation on faculty mentored student research. Poff, R., Gray, E., Myers, P., Callahan, T., & Childress, J. (2005). Involving undergraduate students in research and creative activity: Undergraduate mentoring program. Engaging the Spirit: Enhancing Student Learning Conference, August 18, 2005, Bowling Green, KY (Invited Presentation).

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Service Highlights

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Western Kentucky University

University

- New faculty orientation – seasoned faculty group discussion leader (2021-2025)
- WKU Colonnade Advisory Committee/Community – led by Molly Kerby (2023-2024)
- Program Coordinator Compensation Guidelines (Ad hoc work group leader) (2023-present)
- Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, search committee member (2020-2021)
- Advisory Committee on Continuance, Promotion, and Tenure (eligible 2019-2022)
- Ad Hoc Committee on Continuance, Promotion, and Tenure (eligible 2019-2022)
- Provost's Advisory Council (2019-2020)
- Executive Budget Committee (2019)
- Faculty Mentoring Award Committee (2015-2018)
- Academic Technology Advisory Group (2010-2014)
 - Member (2010-2014)
 - Chair (2010-2011)
- University Technology Advisory Committee (2003-2010)
 - Chair (2008-2010)
 - Member (2003-2010)
 - Emerging Technology Subcommittee (2003-2004)
- Student Research Council (2007-2009)
 - Chair (2008-2009)
 - Chair-elect (2007-2008)
 - Member (2007-2009)
- Member, Search Committees
 - Leadership Studies, Leadership Visiting Assistant Professor (2012, 2014-15)
 - Honors College, Undergraduate Research Coordinator (2008)
 - Office of Sponsored Programs, Proposal Development Manager (2008)
- Leadership Enhancement Council (2006-2010)
 - Helped develop the Leadership Opportunities website.
 - Leadership complex white paper
- University Faculty Scholarship Council (2003-2008)
- Western Scholar Editorial Board (2003-2008)
- Project Initiator, Undergraduate Mentoring Grants initiative (2005-2006)
- University Quality Enhancement Plan Steering Committee (2003-2004; 2014-present)
- University Senator (Fall 2003)
- Faculty Welfare Committee (Fall 2003)
- University Senate Alternate (Spring 2003)

College – Health and Human Services

- Sabbatical and Faculty Awards Committee (see dates below)
 - Chair (2010-2014, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)
 - Member (2010-2014, 2017-2018, 2018-2020)
- Graduate Curriculum Committee, Member (2018-2022)
- Department of Social Work – Promotion Committee (Professor) (2021)
- School of Nursing – Rank and Promotion Committee (2014)
- Research and Grant Committee (2005-2008)
 - Co-chair (2006)
 - Member (2005-2008)

- PALS – Faculty mentor (2010-2011, 2012-2013)
- Faculty Awards Committee (2003-2005)
- Teaching Squares, Team Leader (2005-2006)
- Boyd-Lubker Visiting Scholar Committee (CEBS) (2008-2012)
 - Faculty sponsor for Visiting Scholar (2012)
 - Chair (2010-2011)
 - Co-chair (2009-2010)
 - Member – CHHS representative (2008-2011)

School of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport

- Continuance Committee, Member (2011/12-present)
- Continuance Committee, Chair (2022-23)
- Promotion Committee, Member (2006-present)
- Tenure Committee, Member (2006-present)
- KRS Website Consultant (2011-present)
- Chair, Tenure and Promotion Guidelines Revision Committee (2006, 2012-2013, 2020, 2024)
- Chair, Faculty Workload Evaluation Committee (2020)
- Chair, Promotion Committee (2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2022-2023)
- Chair, Tenure Committee (2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2022-2023)
- Search Committee Assistant Professor REC/RSA, Member (2017)
- Chair, Search Committee Assistant Professor REC (*Knackmuhs*) (2016-2017)
- Chair, Search Committee Continuing Instructor SPM/REC (2012)
- Site Manager, KRS Websites, revision project (2011-2012)
- Recreation Administration Program Website Re-design (2008)
- KRS Distinguished Alumni Committee, Member (2011)
- Chair, 40th Anniversary Recreation Administration Program Celebration (2007)
- Sport Management Undergraduate Degree Development Committee, Member (2006-2008)
- Shooting Facility Development Committee, Member (2007-2008)
- Challenge Course Advisory Committee, Member (2006-2008)
- Ed.D. Program Committee, Member, WKU – Carol D. Schreiber (2008-2009)
- Ed.D. Program Committee, Member, WKU – Eric Gregory (2008-2009)
- Honor's Thesis, Chair – Dana Adams (2008-2009)
- Honor's Thesis, Chair – Ashley King Taylor (2012-2013)
- Dissertation Committee, Member, U of L/WKU – Tricia Jordan (2006-2009)
- Chair, Master's Thesis Committee – Trinity Edwards (2006-2007)
- Master's Thesis Committee, Member – Angie Castelli (2004-2005)
- Master's Thesis Committee, Member – Michael Nunnally (2004-2005)
- Chair, Asst. Professor of Rec. Admin. Search Committee (*Ramsing*) (2004-2005)
- Graduate curriculum revision (*see curriculum development section*) (2004-2005)
- Undergraduate curriculum revision (*see curriculum development section*) (2002-2004)
- American Humanics website development and maintenance (2005-2013)
- American Humanics Minor (*see curriculum development section*) (2004)
- Recreation Administration Program Website maintenance (2004-present)
- Helped write staffing plan and new M.S. Recreation and Sport proposal (2004)
- Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Revision Committee (2004)
- Chair, Assistant Professor of Recreation Search Committee (*Stenger-Ramsey*) (2003-2004)

Professional Service

National accreditation council member: (COAPRT) Council on Accreditation for Parks Recreation and Tourism.

Conducted COAPRT National accreditation reviews for the following institutions:

- University of Idaho
- Dalhousie University, Canada
- Western Carolina University

Served as an external reviewer for Baylor University (faculty member applying for rank of Clinical Professor).

Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE)

- Research and Publications Committee (2001-2013)
 - ‘Charter’ Committee member (2001)
 - Assistant Chair, Research and Publications Committee (2005-2007)
 - Chair, Research and Publications Committee (2003-2005, 2001-2002)
 - Provided leadership in efforts to investigate and facilitate establishing a new scholarly, peer-reviewed journal *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership* to address needs in the area of outdoor recreation and education. This included serving on the AORE – WEA Journal Steering committee. Overall process from initial idea to formal announcement of journal (2001-2008)
- Presidential Advisory Council (2006-2009)
 - Chair (2008-2009)
 - Member (2006-2009)
- AORE Research Symposium (2005-2010)
 - Chair (2008-2009)
 - Chair-elect (2007-2008)
 - Paper reviewer AORE Research Symposium (2005-2007, 2010, 2012)
 - Helped conceptualize and create AORE Research Symposium (2005)
- AORE & WEA Journal Collaboration Steering Committee (2006-2007)
- National Awards Committee (2007-2011)
- Sponsorship Committee (2002-2003)
- AORE Board of Directors (BOD) (2001-2005)
 - Past President (2004-2005)
 - President (2003-2004)
 - BOD Member (2001-2005)
 - BOD Liaison, Research and Publications Committee (2001-2005)
 - Liaison, Society of Recreation and Parks Educators (2002-2003)
 - Coalition Rep. Moving Mountains Outdoor Industry Achievement Award (2001-2004)

American Humanics, Inc. (AH) – Nonprofit Leadership Alliance

- AH Curriculum Review and Assessment Committee (2006-2010)
- AH Journal Collaboration Steering Group (2006-2009)
- Invited Chair, National AH Curriculum Review and Assessment Committee (2007-2008)
- AH NextGen Leaders Program Review Group (2007)
- YMCA Internship Manual Stakeholder Review Group (2007)

National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA)

- Research Session Chair/Moderator – Research Instrumentation (November 2011)

- NRPA Leisure Research Symposium, Indianapolis, IN
- Manual of Procedures Committee (2007-2008)
NRPA - Society of Park and Recreation Educators
- Research Session Chair/Moderator – Leisure and Sport (2007)
NRPA Leisure Research Symposium, Indianapolis, IN
- Professional Development Scholarship Committee (2003, 2004)
NRPA - Society of Parks and Recreation Educators
- Research Session Chair/Moderator - “Family making” in a leisure context (2004)
NRPA Leisure Research Symposium, Reno, NV
- Research Session Chair/Moderator - ‘Involvement and Loyalty’ (2001)
NRPA Leisure Research Symposium, Denver, CO

Other

- Associate Editorial Review Board (2005-2010)
LARNet; The Cyber Journal of Applied Leisure and Recreation Research
<http://larnet.org/>
- Assistant Chair, Peer-review committee (2005-2007)
Kentucky Recreation and Parks
Non-reviewing member of committee
- Outdoor Section Committee, Chair-elect (2003-2004)
Kentucky Recreation and Park Society
- Presentation Proposal Review Committee (2003)
25th Annual Southeastern Recreation Research Conference
- Board of Directors, Student Representative & Conference Planning Team (1994-1995)
Utah Recreation and Park Association

Indiana University

- School of HPER Alumni Board of Directors (2000-2001)
- Strategic Planning Committee, Department of Recreation and Park Administration (1995-1996)

Brigham Young University

- Student Employee Recognition Committee, Ernest L. Wilkinson Student Center (1996-1998)
- President, Recreation Management & Youth Leadership Club (1994-1995)
- BYU Student Alumni College Council (1994-1995)

‘Pre-Professor’ Professional Experience

IU Outdoor Adventures, Bloomington, IN (1998-2001) *Coordinator/Instructor, Indiana University*

- Coordinated recreation equipment purchases from vendors
- Maintained retail inventory
- Administered purchasing program for 50 staff members
- Instructed academic and non-academic flatwater and moving water kayaking courses

BYU Outdoors Unlimited, Provo, UT (1996-1998) *Recreation Coordinator, Brigham Young University*

- Full-time Management of a Retail, Rental, Repair, Instruction, and Adventure Trips Operation
 - Personnel: interviewed, hired, trained, resolved conflicts, promoted employees (supervised approximately 25 employees, 6 interns, and 8 guides)
 - Retail: attended trade shows, purchased merchandise, maintained margins
 - Rental: managed inventory of 5,000-6,000 pieces of rental equipment
 - Repair: oversaw operation of bicycle and ski repair business

- Instruction: established and ran a kayaking instruction program
- Adventure trips: trained trip leaders, maintained quality of standards
- Finances
 - Budget: prepared projections, monitored incomes and expenses throughout year
 - Retail margins: worked with student supervisors to generate optimum margins
 - Mentoring: taught employees how to apply financial management principles

IMU Outfitters, Bloomington, IN (1995-1996)

Designer/Instructor, (Renamed IU Outdoor Adventures)

- Designed and developed website for Indiana Memorial Union Outfitters
- Co-instructed introductory kayaking course and kayaking trip

BYU Outdoors Unlimited, Provo, UT (1994-1995)

Programs Coordinator, Brigham Young University

- Managed operation of outdoor adventure programs
- Planned and coordinated outdoor adventure trips and activities
- Maintained participation, finance, insurance, and river usage data; prepared related reports
- Observed, assessed, and responded to staff and participant needs
- Rented, maintained, repaired, and inventoried outdoor recreation equipment

SportTek, Provo, UT (1995)

Instructor/Technician

- Taught introductory kayaking course
- Organized retail displays, received shipments, stocked inventory, and sold merchandise
- Ordered ski repair supplies, tuned and repaired skis

INDIANA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Associate Instructor (2000-2001)

Institute for Outdoor Leadership and Education
Department of Recreation and Park Administration

- Participated in the development of the on-line database 'Adventure Recreation Cache'
- Participated in the writing, publication, and distribution of 'Research Connections'
- Coordinated outdoor adventure/leadership library acquisitions
- Designed web site for International Symposium on Society and Resource Management
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Associate Instructor (1998-2000)

Department of Recreation and Park Administration

- Assisted in two different qualitative research studies
- Transcribed audio-taped interviews
- Analyzed qualitative data
- Co-authored article on one of the studies

Research Assistant (1999)

Contract work, supervised by Dr. Doug Knapp

- Assisted with Environmental Education/Interpretative Programs master plan for Indianapolis Parks and Recreation Department, IN
- Conducted telephone surveys with local educators
- Conducted on-site visitor surveys at parks in Indianapolis
- Coded and entered survey data into SPSS
- Conducted focus group meetings with educators, visitors, stakeholders, and staff
- Analyzed survey and focus group meeting data

- Reviewed previous research work and extracted relevant data
- Data preparation for Master Plan Document

Research Assistant

(1999)

Supervised by Dr. Doug Knapp

- USDA National Forest Service - National Recreation Use Pilot Study
- Traveled to numerous Hoosier National Forest Sites
- Collected on-site visitor data on site use and/or trail preferences; vehicle count data

Graduate Assistant

(1995-1996)

Department of Recreation and Park Administration

- Advised pre-internship students
- Worked with internship preparation class on resumes, cover letters, and agency selection
- Developed World Wide Web on-line database for National Recreation and Parks Association - Society of Parks and Recreation Educators Leisure Research Symposium abstracts
- Provided supplemental instruction to students in the budgeting portion of management course
- Demonstrated how to work with Microsoft Excel (layout spreadsheets, use formulas, etc.)
- Designed World Wide Web Site for faculty member

Awards / Recognition / Nominations

National

- 2007 AORE Jim Rennie Leadership Award – (National Leadership Award) (2007)
“The Jim Rennie Leadership Award recognizes contributions to AORE which are far beyond the ordinary and which have had a significant and lasting impact on the Association and its mission. The award also recognizes professional work or leadership of unusual significance in the field of outdoor recreation and education.”
- AORE Recognition for Service as a member of the Board of Directors from 2003-2005 (2005)
- AORE Recognition for Service as President from 2003-2004 (2004)
- AORE Recognition for Service on the Board of Directors from 2001-2003 (2003)

Other

- WKU CITL Faculty Spotlight Award – Contributions to FIRST Gen (2024)
- WKU Leadership Faculty Fellow (2008-2011)
- WKU Scholar story nominee; nominated by Dr. Thad Crews (2007)
- Lebert H. Weir Award, Outstanding Graduate Student in Recreation, IU (2000)
- Associate Instructor Appointment, IU (1998-2001)
- School of HPER Fellowship Recipient, IU (1998-2000)
- Graduate Assistantship Appointment, IU (1995-1996)
- Y-Group Mentor Appreciation Award, BYU (1997, 1996)
- Utah Recreation and Park Association - Susan S. Christiansen Award (1995)
- Thayne Packer Scholarship, BYU (1994)
- Eagle Scout Award, Boy Scouts of America (1985)

Research & Creative Activity

(Note: * = Peer reviewed; Underlined name = Student author (WKU) unless otherwise noted)

Recent grant activity

Poff, R. (2026). Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Fly Fishing Montana student mini-scholarships. Partially funded at \$2,200.

Bass Pro Shops and Cabela’s Outdoor Fund Grant. – Fly-fishing equipment improvements (2024). \$2,900. Funded

Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's Outdoor Fund Grant. – 2024 and 2025 community outreach grant (IF4) improvements. \$1,500. Pending

Publications

Published/Accepted:

deBrun, G., & Poff, R. (2025). Well-Being, Psychology, and Management of Outdoor Recreation/Natural Resources: Editor's Note: *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 17(3), v-vi.

Poff, R., & deBrun, G. (2025). Leave No Trace, Summer Camp Constraints, Thru-Hikers, and Nature Writers: Editor's Note: *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 17(2), v-vi.

deBrun, G. & Poff, R. (2024). Long-Distance Trails, Independent Student Expeditions, and Rock Climbing: Editor's Note: *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 16(2), v-vi.

Poff, R. (2024). Continuing Efforts to Strengthen the Profession 22+ Years Later: Editor's Note: *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 16(1), v-vii.

Martin, B., & Poff, R. (2023). Editors' Note. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 15(3), v-vi.

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*McCreary, A., Knackmuhs, E., Poff, R., & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2022). Understanding the influence of COVID-19 restrictions on recreation behavior in western Kentucky. *SHAPE Kentucky Journal*, 59(2), 9-24.

Poff, R., & Martin, B. (2022). Editors' Note. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 14(3), 1-3.

Martin, B., & Poff, R. (2021). Editors' Note. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 13(4), 1-2.

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Bobilya, A. J., Poff, R. A.; & Hobbs, W. (2017). Transitions and opportunities. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 9(4), 361-362.

Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2017). Continuing to bridge research and practice. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 9(3), 273-274.

Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2017). Diversity in scholarship: Continued interdisciplinary research. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 9(2), 135-136.

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- Hodge, C. J., Zabriskie, R. B., Townsend, J. A., Eggett, D. L., & Poff, R. (2016): Family leisure functioning: A cross-national study. *Leisure Sciences*, 1-22.
- Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2016). Outdoor programming: A context for decision making, character development, and positive body change. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 8(2), 101-102.
- Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2016). Wilderness and outdoor adventure education: Measuring outcomes and improving practice. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 8(1), 1-2.
- Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2015). New horizons: Studies from around the globe and a new publishing partnership. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 7(2), 81-82.
- Szolosi, A. M., Hill, E. & Poff, R. A. (2015). Collaborative Research and Practice: Aiming to Make a Meaningful Difference. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 7(2), 166-168.
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- *Coder, L., Poff, R., Baker, J., Swanson, R., Schlinker, W., & Jerome, A. (2014). University student leadership involvement, practices, and high school class size: An investigation using the Student Leadership Practices Inventory. *Leadership & Organizational Management Journal*, 2014(3), 157-170.
- Bobilya, A. J., & Poff, R. A. (2014). Celebrating the past and looking ahead: Editors' notes. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 6(2), 95-96.
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Scholarly & Professional Presentations

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- Invited presentation, Derby City Fly Fishers group in Louisville, KY. October 18, 2023
- Invited presentation, Northern Kentucky Fly Fishers group, Florence, KY, April 4, 2024
- Frauman, E., Graetz, J., & Poff, R. (2014) Support and administration of sustainable practices among college outdoor programs: Findings and direction. 26th Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education Conference. Portland, OR, November.
- King, A., & Poff, R. (2013). Students serving people: Perceived benefits of direct community service. 2013 Alliance/Management Leadership Institute. January 2-5, 2013, Atlanta, GA. (Note: Ashley was a WKU Honor's student. Took 2nd place in the research division).
- Hodge, C., Zabriskie, R., & Poff, R. (2012). A multi-national comparison of family leisure constructs. 2012 Leisure Research Symposium – National Recreation and Park Association Congress, November 2012. (One of the top leisure research symposiums in the profession – national presentation).
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- Poff, R. (2012). Families, recreation, and the practitioner: Maximizing the value of family recreation programs. Intermountain Research Symposium held at URPA 2012, Midway, UT. February 29, 2012 (*Invited presentation*).
- Poff, R., & Zabriskie, R. (2011). The Family Leisure Outcomes scale: Developing a new measurement instrument. 2011 Leisure Research Symposium – National Recreation and Park Association Congress, Atlanta, Georgia. November 2, 2011
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- Gibson, F., Poff, R., & Stenger-Ramsey, T., & Hottell, D. (2007). Transforming classroom instruction into professional practice: Bass fishing or dodgeball anyone? 2007 Engaging the Spirit: Tools for Student Success, August 20, 2007, Bowling Green, KY.
- McCormick, A. Ashcraft, R., Poff, R., & Schmidt, S. (2007). Carnegie classification system. American Humanics Campus/Executive Directors Professional Development Conference, June 6, 2007, Kansas City, MO. (Invited presentation)
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- Spencer, S., Larson, B., Poff, R., & Gouvas, E. (2006). Whitewater Parks – Bowling Green’s Proposed Whitewater venue at Mitch McConnell Park. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference and Tradeshow, November 11-15, 2006, Bowling Green, KY.
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- Poff, R. (2006). WKU American Humanics Curriculum. Presentations made to Tennessee State University president, faculty, and local nonprofit professionals. (Invited presentation by American Humanics, Inc.).
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- Poff, R. A. (1999). Commitment and enduring involvement in adventure recreation: A preliminary study of whitewater paddlers. 13th International Conference on Outdoor Recreation and Education, November 2-9, 1999, Snow King Resort, Jackson Hole, WY.
- Poff, R. A. (1999). Outdoor programs on-line: Creating a link with participants, staff, and the campus community. 13th International Conference on Outdoor Recreation and Education, November 2-9, 1999, Snow King Resort, Jackson Hole, WY.
- Poff, R. A. (1997). Adding value through program integration: A kayaking model. 11th International Conference on Outdoor Recreation and Education, November 6-8, 1997, Universidad Autonoma de Yucatan, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico.
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Research Activities In Progress

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- Mills, W., Poff, R., McCaslin, S., McCauley, A., & Waller, C. (submitted). Building bridges for success: Strategies for retaining first gen college students. Presented at the 2024 Association of Leadership Educators Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN. (**presentation proposal submitted for review**)

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- Moore, J., & Poff, R. (TBA) Website design practices for nonprofit organizations. (Intended submission to *Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership*).

Teaching

Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY (2002-present)

Professor (2014-present)

Associate Professor (2006-2014)

Assistant Professor (2002-2006)

Undergraduate Courses Taught

Recreation and Tourism (REC 420/420G, 3 Credits)

Fly Fishing Montana: Travel-based Learning in Recreation & Tourism (REC 480, 3 Credits)

Foundations of Outdoor Recreation (REC 330, 3 Credits)

Recreation in Society / Introduction to Recreation (REC 200, 3 Credits)

Understanding the Nonprofit Sector (REC 220/324, 3 Credits)

Outdoor Recreation Activities: Fly Fish MT (REC 235, 3 Credits)

Recreation Leadership (REC 302, 3 Credits)

Fiscal Practices in Recreation (REC/SPM 402, 3 Credits)

Recreation Administration (REC 406, 3 Credits)

Principles of Outdoor Recreation (REC 432, 3 Credits)

(Commercial) Recreation and Tourism (REC 450/450G, 3 Credits)

Recreation Workshop – Fly Fishing (REC 482/231/233, 3 Credits)

Montana Fly Fishing Workshop (Study Away) (REC 480/482, 3 Credits)

New Zealand Study Abroad: Travel-based Learning in Recreation & Tourism (480/482G, 1-3 Credits)

Winter 2016 (10); Winter 2018(10); Winter 2020(7)

Recreation Workshop: Nonprofit Fundraising (REC 482/482G, 3 Credits)

Advanced Studies in Recreation (REC 484, 3 Credits)

Internship in Recreation: Supervisor (REC 490, 12 Credits)

Internship in Recreation: Co-supervisor with Dr. Fred Gibson (REC 490, 3-12 Credits)

Practicum in Recreation: Supervisor (REC 493, 3 Credits)

Nonprofit Conference/American Humanics Management Institute (REC 494, 1 Credit)

Nonprofit/American Humanics Internship: Supervisor (REC 496, 3-6 Credits)

Introduction to Leadership Studies: (LEAD 200, 3 Credits)

Graduate Courses Taught:

Research Methods in Recreation and Sport (REC 501, 3 Credits)

Recreation and Sport Practicum (RSA 590, 3 Credits)

Nonprofit Practicum (RSA 585, 3 Credits)

Fiscal Administration (RSA 570, 3 Credits)

Organization and Administration of Recreation and Parks (REC 513, 3 Credits)

Public Relations in Parks and Recreation (REC 521, 3 Credits)

Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

(2001-2002)

Assistant Professor, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation

Undergraduate Courses:

Commercial Recreation and Tourism (REC 4318C, 3 Credits)

Fall 2001(16)

Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services (REC 2330, 3 Credits)

Fall 2001(15); Spring 2002(20)

Introduction to Outdoor Recreation (REC 1330, 3 Credits)

Fall 2001(31); Spring 2002(21)

Introduction to Therapeutic Recreation (REC 1370, 3 Credits)

Summer 2002(30)

Fieldwork/Internship Supervision (REC 3360, 4381, 4680 Variable Credit)

Spring 2002(7)

Graduate Course:

Applications in Mgt. in Recreation and Leisure Service Org. (REC 5330, 3 Credits) Spring 2002(6)

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

(1998-2001)

Associate Instructor, Department of Recreation and Park Administration

Undergraduate Courses:

Senior Seminar in Outdoor Recreation and Resource Management (HPER R402, 1 Credit)

Fall 1999(15); Fall 2000(12)

Leisure in Modern Society (HPER R340, 3 Credits)

Spring 1999(41)

Computers in Parks, Recreation, Sport, Tourism - (HPER R237, 3 Credits)

Spring 2000(18)

Recreation and Leisure - Discussion/Lab Instructor (HPER R160, 3 Credits)

Fall 1998(38); Spring 2000(28)

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

(1998-2001)

Instructor, IU Outdoor Adventures

Whitewater Kayaking (HPER R100, 1 Credit)

Fall 1999(8); Spring 2000(6); Fall 2000(10); Spring 2001(10)

Flatwater Kayaking (HPER R100, 1 Credit)

Fall 1998(6)