

Working with
Nature
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Well-Being

College of Forestry, Wildlife & Environment

2023 - 2024 · PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT CURRICULUM (PARK)

FRESHMAN

FALL

ENGL	1100	English Composition I	3
FOWS	1010	Intro to Renewable Natural Resources (M) [†]	1
MATH	1130	Pre-Calculus Trigonometry	3
NATR	2050	People and the Environment	3
ELEC		Restricted Science Elective ¹	4

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 14

SPRING

ENGL	1120	English Composition II	3
COMM	1000	Public Speaking	3
POLI	1090	American Governance in a Multicultural World	3
ELEC		Restricted Science Elective II ¹	4

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 13

¹ Students must complete a sequence of either BIOL 1020/1021/1030/1031 (P) or FOWS 1020/1021/1030/1031 (C)*

SOPHOMORE

FALL

PARK	2010	Intro to Nature-based Recreation (M)(P) ^{†*}	3
<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	
PARK	2020	Intro to Comm Parks & Rec Mgmt (M)(C) ^{†*}	3
ELEC	FREE	Free Elective	3
CORE		Fine Arts	3
CORE		History	3
CORE		Literature	3

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15

SPRING

HOSP	2600	Event Operations	3
PARK	3050	Safety, Risk, & Legal in Parks & Rec (M) [†]	3
PARK	3910	Field Skills Practicum ²	3
STAT	2510	Statistics for Biological & Health Sciences	3
CORE		History or Social Science ³	3

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15

² Course continues into May after classes end but finishes before summer semester begins.

³ Students must complete a sequence in either Literature or History.

JUNIOR

FALL

MKTG	3810	Foundations of Business Marketing	3
PARK	3010	Environmental Interpretation (M) [†]	3
PARK	3850	Professional Preparation	1
POLI	3250	Introduction to Public Administration	3
ELEC	FREE	Free Elective	3

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 13

SPRING

PARK	3100	Leadership in Parks & Recreation (M) [†]	3
PARK	3350	Programming in Parks & Recreation (M) [†]	3
PARK	4310	Sustainable Nature Tourism (M)(P) ^{†*}	3
<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	
COMM	3400	Organizational Communication (M)(C) ^{†*}	3
ELEC	FREE	Free Elective	3
CORE		Humanities or Literature ³	3

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15

SUMMER

PARK	4920	Internship	8
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TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 8

SENIOR

FALL

PARK	4200	Nature, Recreation, and Health (M) [†]	3
PARK	4250	Access & Participation in Parks & Rec (M) [†]	3
PARK	4300	Parks & Rec Admin, Finance, & Mgmt (M) [†]	3
ELEC	REST	Restricted Elective	3
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TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15

SPRING

NATR	5430	Human Dimensions of Wildlife & Nat Res (M) [†]	3
NATR	5630	Conservation Planning (M)(P) ^{†*}	3
<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	<i>or</i>	
PARK	4500	Sust Planning & Design of Comm Parks & Rec (M)(C) ^{†*}	3
PARK	4400	Recreation Facilities Planning & Mgmt (M) [†]	3
ELEC	REST	Restricted Elective	3

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 12

[†]Courses marked with (M) are major courses and must be completed with a GPA of 2.0 or better.

*Courses marked with (P) are recommended for students interested in national/regional/state/nature-based parks programs. Courses marked with (C) are recommended for students interested in community/city/local programs.

Restricted Electives - 12 Total Hours

Cross-listed Parks and Recreation Management Courses

If students did not take the course as part of their core curriculum (Nature-based OR Community), they can take the core from the other track resulting in a complete Parks and Recreation Management focus.

COMM	3400	Organizational Communications
NATR	5630	Conservation Planning
PARK	2020	Intro to Comm. Parks, Recreation, & Sport Mgmt
PARK	2010	Intro to Nature-based Recreation & Mgmt
PARK	4310	Sustainable Nature Tourism
PARK	4500	Sust. Planning & Design of Comm. Parks & Rec

Study Abroad Courses (up to 6 cr)

For example: Belize, Costa Rica, Fiji, New Zealand

Campus Courses w/International Focus:

GEOG	3300	International Travel & Tourism
PARK	4310	Sustainable Nature Tourism (If not taken as part of core curriculum.)
WILD	1200	Hunting & Fishing the World

Business

Students could earn a minor if all 4 classes are completed in conjunction with required courses.

ACCT	2810	Fundamentals of Accounting
ECON	2030	Principles of Macroeconomics
FINC	3810	Foundations of Business Finance
MNGT	3810	Foundations of Business Management

Communications

COMM	2010	Communication in Society
COMM	2400	Introduction to Workplace Communication
COMM	3100	Professional Presentations
COMM	3400	Organizational Communications
PRCM	1000	Public Relations & Media Relations Fundament.

Education

ADED	4660	Teaching in the Non-school Setting
FOWS	2030	Introduction to Environmental Education
HDFS	3010	Child Development in the Family
HDFS	3460	Effec. Guidance & Interaction w/Young Children
HDFS	3510	Therapeutic Play

For free electives, we encourage:

PHED	1710	Aquatics: Beginning Kayaking
PHED	1720	Aquatics: Advanced Kayaking
PHED	1740	Aquatics: Lifeguard Training
PHED	1760	Aquatics: Scuba
WILD	2400	Sporting Arms and Archery
WILD	2410	Introduction to Pistol
WILD	2420	Introduction to Archery

Health

HDFS	5930	Society and Health
KINE	1100	Wellness & Public Health
KINE	2000	Pillars of Health
KINE	4450	Physical Activity & Public Health
PAOH	5950	One Health Seminar

Interpreter / Naturalist

BIOL	3040	Biology of Marine Systems
BIOL	3060	Ecology
BIOL	4020	Vertebrate Biodiversity
BIOL	5090	Conservation Biology
FORV	3100	Dendrology
WILD	3280	Wildlife Ecology, Conservation, & Management

Leadership

Students could earn a minor if all 5 classes are completed in conjunction with required courses.

COMM	3400	Organizational Communications
CPLN	5400	Historic Preservation Planning
LEAD	2000	Foundations of Leadership
LEAD	4000	Leadership in Practice (Prereq. LEAD 2000)
POLI	3340	Introduction to Conflict Resolution

Natural Resources

FORV	5470	GIS applications in Natural Resources
FOWS	5270	Natural Resource Policy
NATR	2020	Natural Resources Field Methods
NATR	5630	Conservation Planning (If not taken as part of core curriculum.)
WILD	2050	Wildlife Conservation History & Law

Other Administration, Planning, & Management Skills

GEOG	5830	Geographic Information Systems
HOSP	3700	Principles of Service Management
POLI	4160	Public Personnel Administration

