

Working with  
Nature  
for Society's  
Well-Being

# College of Forestry, Wildlife & Environment

## 2024 - 2025 · 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 <sup>1</sup> | 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 <sup>1</sup>  | 4 |

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 13**

### SOPHOMORE

#### FALL

|           |           |  |   |
|-----------|-----------|--|---|
| PARK      | 2010      | Intro to Nature-based Recreation (M)(P)* | 3 |
| <b>or</b> | <b>or</b> | <b>or</b>                                |   |
| 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 <sup>2</sup>         | 3 |
| STAT | 2510 | Statistics for Biological & Health Sciences | 3 |
| CORE |      | History or Social Science <sup>3</sup>      | 3 |

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15**

### 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 |
| <b>or</b> | <b>or</b> | <b>or</b>                             |   |
| COMM      | 3400      | Organizational Communication (M)(C)*  | 3 |
| ELEC      | FREE      | Free Elective                         | 3 |
| CORE      |           | Humanities or Literature <sup>3</sup> | 3 |

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 15**

### SUMMER

|      |      |            |   |
|------|------|------------|---|
| PARK | 4920 | Internship | 8 |
|------|------|------------|---|

**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 |
| <b>or</b> | <b>or</b> | <b>or</b>  |   |
| 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.

<sup>1</sup> Students must complete an 8-credit sequence with labs in either BIOL 1020/1021/1030/1031 (P) or FOWS 1020/1021/1030/1031 (C)\*

<sup>2</sup> Course continues into May after classes end but finishes before summer semester begins.

<sup>3</sup> Students must complete a two-semester sequence in either Literature or History.

**120 TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS**

## **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   |

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### **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<br><i>(If not taken as part of core curriculum.)</i> |
| WILD | 1200 | Hunting & Fishing the World   |

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### **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 |

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### **Education**

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| 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                               |

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### **For free electives, we encourage:**

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|------|------|------------------------------|
| 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                |

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### **Interpreter / Naturalist**

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

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### **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 <i>(Prereq. LEAD 2000)</i> |
| POLI | 3340 | Introduction to Conflict Resolution               |

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### **Natural Resources**

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

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### **Other Administration, Planning, & Management Skills**

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

