Program
BS in Recreation Administration
Options in:
- Community and Commercial Recreation
- Parks and Natural Resources Management
- Resort and Lodging Management
- Special Events and Tourism
- Therapeutic Recreation
Minor in Recreation Administration
Minor in Tourism
Certificate in Employee Services and Recreation
MA in Recreation Administration

The goal of the Department of Recreation and Parks Management is to prepare liberally educated individuals whose philosophical and practical approaches to the provision of recreation services and facilities are based on the latest methods and techniques. Students learn to be inquisitive and receptive to varying points of view, proficient in a broad spectrum of software and skilled in multiple modalities of communication and interpersonal relations. Graduates will have the ability to motivate and to help others enrich their lives through the constructive use of leisure.

Students develop appropriate professional capabilities and attitudes required for work in a variety of settings. They learn to advise customers and to organize, plan, budget, and manage both leisure services and recreation and park resources. The use of technology to enhance the provision of leisure services has become a distinguishing characteristic of graduates.

The department offers the bachelor’s and master’s degrees, and minors in Recreation Administration and Tourism. Preparation is provided within the major for five distinct degree options. Within these options, students may further focus their training into special areas. For example, students within the Option in Community and Commercial Recreation may specialize in public, volunteer, private, commercial, and entrepreneurial recreation. Those with an Option in Parks and Natural Resources Management select environmental education and interpretation, recreation and natural resource management, park operations, or planning and design as areas of concentration. The Option in Resort and Lodging Management focuses on preparation for entry-level management positions in hotels and resorts. This includes operations, convention services, guest services, accounting, sales, marketing, special events, and food and beverage operations, as well as cruise ships, spas, and fine dining establishments. The Option in Special Events and Tourism focuses on special event and festival management, meeting and conference services, destination management, and tourism marketing. The Option in Therapeutic Recreation stresses clinical and community-based recreation for persons with physical, emotional, and developmental disabilities.

General preparation and core courses cover the following areas: principles, philosophies, values, and foundations of recreation; career opportunities and requirements; leadership and supervision; organization and management; human behavior; recreation for special populations, recreation resources, motivation and promotion; business and finance; applied research; and the environment. In addition, specialized courses and practical experiences in each option prepare those majoring in the program to compete and perform successfully in areas of special interest. The department manages four different computer labs to ensure that students have access to a wide range of technological tools.

Fieldwork is offered in various recreation and resource settings, and students serve full-time internships with public recreation agencies, private or commercial recreation businesses, hotels and resorts, therapeutic programs, or parks and natural resource-related agencies.

The Department of Recreation and Parks Management has one of the largest and most respected programs of its kind in the nation. The program is accredited by the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA). A diverse and dedicated faculty strive to ensure the best professional education for program majors, minors, and graduate students. Interested students are encouraged to work with faculty on a wide variety of projects.

Career Outlook
Recreation is the second-largest industry in the United States. While no university degree automatically ensures employment, Chico graduates who have tailored their programs and work experiences to market opportunities have done well in securing relevant career positions. It is the department’s goal to develop and maintain close ties to the profession to help our students become leading candidates for jobs upon graduation.
Total Course Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree: 128 units

See “Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree” in the University Catalog for complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 40 units, including those required for the major, must be upper division.

A suggested Major Academic Plan (MAP) has been prepared to help students meet all graduation requirements within four years. Please request a plan from your major advisor or view it and other current advising information on the CSU, Chico Web.

General Education Requirements: 48 units

See “General Education Requirements” in the University Catalog and the Class Schedule for the most current information on General Education Requirements and course offerings. The course requirements marked below with an asterisk (*) may also be applied toward General Education.

Cultural Diversity Course Requirements: 6 units

See “Cultural Diversity” in the University Catalog. Most courses taken to satisfy these requirements may also apply to General Education.

American Institutions Requirement: 6 units

See the “American Institutions Requirement” under “Bachelor's Degree Requirements.” This requirement is normally fulfilled by completing HIST 130 and POLS 155. Courses used to satisfy this requirement do not apply to General Education.

Literacy Requirement:

See “Mathematics and Writing Requirements” in the University Catalog. Writing proficiency in the major is a graduation requirement and may be demonstrated through satisfactory completion of a course in your major which has been designated as the Writing Proficiency (WP) course for the semester in which you take the course. Students who earn below a C– are required to repeat the course and earn a C– or better to receive WP credit. See the Class Schedule for the designated WP courses for each semester. You must pass ENGL 130 (or its equivalent) with a C– or better before you may register for a WP course.

Application to the Major:

Departmental approval is required before you begin course work for this major. Application to the major can be made at the department office.

Course Requirements for the Major: 67–70 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this degree. Additional required courses, depending upon the selected option or advising pattern, are outlined following the degree core program requirements.

Note: A maximum of 15 units of internship courses numbered 189, 289, 389, 489, 589 may be applied to a bachelor's degree at CSU, Chico. Since the Department of Recreation and Parks Management uses a mentor-advisor system, it is important for you to request an advisor when you declare Recreation Administration as your major. In general, Recreation Administration majors are encouraged to take RECR 200 and complete the computer literacy requirement during the first semester in the department. Depending on the desired option, RECR 220 (for the Options in Community/Commercial Recreation and Special Events and Tourism) or RECR 250 (for the Options in Resort and Lodging Management and Special Events and Tourism) or RECR 240 (for the Option in Parks and Natural Resource Management) or RECR 260 (for the Option in Therapeutic Recreation) should also be considered.

Major Core Program: 29 units

Computer Literacy

3 units selected from:

CSCI 100 Computer Literacy 3.0 FS
BSIS 101 Windows/WD Proc/Present Softwr 1.0 FS
AND (Both the above and following course must be taken)
BSIS 102 Spreadsheets and Graphics 1.0 FS
AND (Both the above and following course must be taken)
BSIS 103 Introduction to Databases 1.0 FS
RECR 201 Computers in Recreation 3.0 FS
SOSC 110 Computer Applications for BSS 3.0 FS

Recreation majors are strongly advised to develop computer literacy skills early in their course of study. Most community college computer literacy courses are transferable.

4 courses required:

RECR 200 Foundations Leisure/Recreation 3.0 FS
RECR 300 Leisure Science 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement; or faculty permission.
RECR 301 Leadership/Supervision in Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 400 Management of Recreation/Parks 3.0 FS WP
Prerequisites: ENGL 130 (or its equivalent) with a grade of C– or higher, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, RECR 200, RECR 201; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; senior standing.

14 units selected from:

one of the following two plans:

Plan I—Internship Program
3 courses required:

RECR 584 Internship Preparation 1.0 FS
Prerequisites: Senior standing, faculty permission.
RECR 586 Internship Seminar 1.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in RECR 589, faculty permission.
RECR 589 Internship in Parks/Recr/Hosp 1.0–12.0 FS
Prerequisites: Graduating senior standing, completion of other course requirements, RECR 584, 700 hours of approved field experience, concurrent enrollment in RECR 586, cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, faculty permission.

Plan II—Merit Internship Program

Students whose GPA in overall course work is 3.0 or above may elect to enter the Merit Internship Program. Formal application for this program must occur by the second semester of the junior year.

3 courses required:

RECR 585 Merit Internship Preparation 1.0 FS
Prerequisites: Senior standing, cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, faculty permission.
RECR 587 Merit Internship Seminar 1.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in RECR 589M, cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, faculty permission.
RECR 589M Merit Intern Internship Preparation 12.0 FS
Prerequisites: Graduating senior standing, GPA of 3.0 or higher in overall course work, completion of other course requirements, RECR 585, 1000 hours of approved field experience, concurrent enrollment in RECR 587, faculty permission.

Major Option Course Requirements: 38–41 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required dependent upon the option chosen. Students must select one of the following options for completion of the major course requirements.

The Option in Community/Commercial Recreation: 38–39 units

Option Core: 21 units

7 courses required:

RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260, or faculty permission.
RECR 420 Recreation Budget/Finance Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement; or faculty permission.
RECR 422 Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 471 Customer Serv/Sales Recr Oper 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260.
RECR 524 Commercial Recr Operations 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 420, RECR 422, one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

Advising Pattern Course Requirements: 17–18 units

Students must select one of the following patterns to complete the requirements for the Option in Community/Commercial Recreation.

Commercial Recreation Pattern: 18 units

5 courses selected from:

MGMT 304 Human Resource Management 3.0 FS
MGMT 432 Recruitment and Selection 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MGMT 304.
MGMT 433 Training and Development 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: MGMT 304.
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MGMT 434 Performance Management 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: MGMT 304.

MKTG 305 Survey of Marketing 3.0 FS

MKTG 473 Strategic Personal Selling 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.

MKTG 475 Retailing 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.

MKTG 478 Service Marketing 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.

RECR 190 Service Learning in Rec Prg 2.0 FS

RECR 323 Special Event Plan and Oper 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 220, or faculty permission.

RECR 324 Health Club and Spa Management 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, or faculty permission.

RECR 342 Systems Mgmt in Maintnc & Oper 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.

RECR 350 Food & Beverage Administration 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 250.

RECR 370 Visitor Information Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

RECR 412 Adv Apps of Tech for Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Any approved department computer literacy course.

RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

RECR 470 Mtg and Conference Planning 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

RECR 323 Special Event Plan and Oper 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.

GEOG 319 Intro to Geog Info Systems 3.0 FS
This course is also offered as AIST 261.

ANTH 261 North American Indians 3.0 FS * Eth
This course is also offered as EDCI 448.

RECR 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

RECR 446 Natural Resources Management 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 240, RECR 300, RECR 440; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

Advising Pattern Course Requirements: 20–22 units
Students must select one of the following patterns to complete the requirements for the Option in Parks and Natural Resource Management.

Environmental Interpretation/Education Pattern: 20–21 units
2 courses selected from:

BIOL 342 Field Biology 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or BIOL 108.

RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.

RECR 422 Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

1 course selected from:

EDCI 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEO 130 or equivalent.
This course is also offered as RECR 448.

RECR 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEO 130 or equivalent or faculty permission.
This course is also offered as EDCI 448.

4 courses selected from:

ARTS 122 Color Theory 3.0 FS
ARTS 123 Design 3.0 FS
ARTS 250 Intro to Electronic Arts 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: ARTS 122, ARTS 123, or faculty permission.
OR (the following course may be substituted for the above)
CDES 214 Computer Graphics 3.0 FS

ARTS 122 Color Theory 3.0 FS
OR (the following course may be substituted for the above)
APCG 110 Computer-Assisted Art I 3.0 FS *
ARTS 384 Human Factors in Design 3.0 FS
ANTH 461 Museum Collections Management 3.0 FA
ANTH 466 Museum Exhibit Planning 3.0 SP

1 course selected from:

EDCI 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEO 130 or equivalent or faculty permission.

4 courses selected from:

BIOL 334 Conservation Ecology 3.0 FS *
Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or equivalent.

BIOL 342 Field Biology 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or BIOL 108.

RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.

RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

RECR 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEO 130 or equivalent or faculty permission.

Note: An approved minor may be substituted for 9 units of the “selected courses” in this advising pattern. Approved minors include biological sciences, communication design, instructional design, museology (certificare), or other with advisor's approval.

Human Dimensions in Parks Management Pattern: 21 units
4 courses selected from:

CDES 131 Visual Communication Concepts 2.0 FS
CDES 206 Intro Photo Com & Dig Imaging 3.0 FS
JOUR 260 Writing for Mass Media 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: ENSGL 130.

RECR 420 Recreation Budget/Finance Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

3 courses selected from:

ANTH 261 North American Indians 3.0 FS * Eth
This course is also offered as AST 261
ANTH 487 Heritage Resource Planning 3.0 Inq
GEOG 319 Intro to Geog Info Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: GEOG 219 or equivalent.
GEOG 427 Environmental Impact Analysis 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: GEOG 320 or equivalent.

The Option in Parks and Natural Resources Management: 39–41 units

Option Core: 19 units
6 courses required:

RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.

RECR 342 Systems Mgmt in Maintnc & Oper 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.

RECR 440 Environ/Comprehensive Plan Rec 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 240 and RECR 300, completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

RECR 441 Citizen Involvement in Res Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or completion of RECR 240 and RECR 300, or faculty permission.

RECR 444 Environmental Interpretation 4.0 SP
Prerequisites: Upper-division standing, a basic oral communication course such as CMST 131, or faculty permission.

Human Dimensions in Parks Management Pattern: 21 units
4 courses selected from:

BIOL 334 Conservation Ecology 3.0 FS *
Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or equivalent.

BIOL 342 Field Biology 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or BIOL 108.

RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.

RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

RECR 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEO 130 or equivalent or faculty permission.
This course is also offered as EDCI 448.

3 courses selected from:

ANTH 261 North American Indians 3.0 FS * Eth
This course is also offered as AST 261
ANTH 487 Heritage Resource Planning 3.0 Inq
GEOG 319 Intro to Geog Info Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: GEOG 219 or equivalent.
GEOG 427 Environmental Impact Analysis 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: GEOG 320 or equivalent.

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PHIL 332 Criminal Justice Ethics 3.0 FS
POL 250 Intro to Criminal Justice 3.0 FS
POL 259A Introduction to Criminal Law 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: POLS 250 or faculty permission.
PSSC 250 Introduction to Soil Science 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: CHEM 106 or CHEM 111.
PSSC 330 Rangeland Resources/Management 3.0 FA
PSSC 334 Water/riparian Res and Mgmt 3.0 F1
Prerequisites: Completion of lower-division core.
PSSC 433 Wildland Vegetation Ecology 3.0 F2
Prerequisites: PSSC 330 and completion of lower-division core.
PSSC 438 Landscape Ecology 3.0 F1
Prerequisites: PSSC 330 and completion of the lower-division core.

Outdoor Leadership Pattern: 21-22 units

4 courses required:
KINE 226 Meth of Tch Wilderness Living 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: Wilderness 1st Responder or faculty permission.
KINE 460 Phil Found of Outdoor Educ 3.0 FS
KINE 464 Facilitating Adventure Exp 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: KINE 460.
RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

1 course selected from:
EDCI 448 Mths/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 142 or BIOL 110 or equivalent. This course is also offered as RECR 448.
RECR 448 Mths/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOL 142 or BIOL 110 or equivalent or faculty permission. This course is also offered as EDCI 448.

1 course selected from:
KINE 315 Intro to Adapted Phys Act 3.0 FS
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.

1 course selected from:
KINE 224 Mthd Tch Rock Climbing 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: Wilderness 1st Responder or faculty permission.
KINE 227 Winter and the Mountain 4.0 JA
Prerequisites: Wilderness 1st Responder, KINE 226 or RECR 187.
KINE 228 Meth of Tch Canoeing/Kayaking 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: Wilderness 1st Responder.

Parks and Facilities Management Pattern: 21 units

2 courses required:
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.

1 course selected from:
RECR 354 Resort/Lodging Development 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 250, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 524 Commercial Recr Operations 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

4 courses selected from:
AGET 360 Irrigation 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: PSSC 101 or PSSC 250.
BIOI 334 Conservation Ecology 3.0 FS *
Prerequisites: BIOI 101 or equivalent.
BIOI 342 Field Biology 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: BIOI 101 or BIOI 108.
PSSC 101 Introduction to Plant Science 3.0 FS *
PSSC 250 Introduction to Soil Science 3.0 FS
PSSC 453 Soil Fert & Plant Nutrition 3.0 F2
Prerequisites: PSSC 250.

The Option in Resort and Lodging Management: 39 units

Option Core: 21 units

7 courses required:
RECR 250 Hospitality Industry Intro 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Prior completion of or concurrent enrollment in RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 350 Food & Beverage Administration 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 250.
RECR 354 Resort/Lodging Development 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 250, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.

RECR 420 Recreation Budget/Finance Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 452 Resort/Lodging Management 3.0 FS
RECR 471 Customer Serv/Sales Recr Opers 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260.
RECR 558 Resort/Lodging Seminar 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 250, or RECR 452, computer literacy.

Option Selection: 18 units

A maximum of 9 lower-division units may be selected to meet this requirement.

18 units selected from:
ACCT 201 Intro to Financial Accounting 3.0 FS
ACCT 202 Intro to Managerial Accounting 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: ACCT 201 or ABUS 261 (or ABUS majors only).
BLAW 302 Managing the Legal Environment 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: At least junior standing.
BLAW 413 Employment Law 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: At least junior standing.
BLAW 414 Labor Law/Collective Bargain 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: At least junior standing or faculty permission.
CDES 101 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
Prerequisite: This course is also offered as CMST 101.
CMST 132 Small Group Communication 3.0 FS *
CMST 233 Fund of Interpersonal Com 3.0 FS
CMST 330 Intro to Comm Studies 3.0 FS
CMST 370 Intro to Organizational Comm 3.0 FS
CMST 472 Orgn Leadshp & Deccn Making 3.0 FS WP
Prerequisites: ENGL 130 (or its equivalent) with a grade of C- or higher, CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331, CMST 350, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher, CMST 132 for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.
FINA 307 Survey of Finance 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: ACCT 201, ECON 103.
FREN 101 First-Semester French 4.0 FS *
FREN 102 Second-Semester French 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: FREN 101 or equivalent.
FREN 201 Third-Semester French 4.0 FA *
FREN 202 Fourth-Semester French 4.0 SP *
Prerequisites: FREN 201 or equivalent.
GERM 101 First-Semester German 4.0 FS *
GERM 102 Second-Semester German 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: GERM 101 or equivalent.
GERM 201 Third-Semester German 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: GERM 201 or equivalent.
GERM 202 Fourth-Semester German 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: GERM 201 or equivalent.
ITAL 101 First-Semester Italian 4.0 FS *
ITAL 102 Second-Semester Italian 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: ITAL 101 or equivalent.
ITAL 201 Third-Semester Italian 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: ITAL 201 or equivalent.
ITAL 202 Fourth-Semester Italian 4.0 FS *
JAPN 101 First-Semester Japanese 4.0 FS *
JAPN 102 Second-Semester Japanese 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: JAPN 101 or faculty permission.
JAPN 201 Third-Semester Japanese 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: JAPN 201 or faculty permission.
JAPN 202 Fourth-Semester Japanese 4.0 FS *
Prerequisites: JAPN 201 or faculty permission.
MGMT 300 Communication in Business 3.0 FS WP
Prerequisites: ENGL 130 (or its equivalent) with a grade of C- or higher.
MGMT 304 Human Resource Management 3.0 FS
MGMT 345 Negotiation Techn for Conflict 3.0 SP
MGMT 443 Managing Knowledge/Innov/Chg 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: MGMT 304.
MGMT 444 Managing Project Teams 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MGMT 303 or faculty permission.
MGMT 445 International Management 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: MGMT 303.
MKTG 305 Survey of Marketing 3.0 FS
MKTG 371 Consumer Behavior 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 305.
MKTG 470 Sales Force Management 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.
MKTG 474 Market Analysis 3.0 Inq
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.
NFSC 120 Elementary Food 3.0 FS
NFSC 230 Intro Foodserv Adm 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: NFSC 120.
NFSC 430 Foodservice Procurement & Mgmt 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: BIOL 211; NFSC 230 or MGMT 303; NFSC 720.
NFSC 431 Foodservice Equip/Production 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: NFSC 430.
NFSC 432 Adv Foodservice Administration 3.0 Inq
Prerequisites: NFSC 430, NFSC 431.
PSSC 305 Introduction to Wines 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: At least 21 years of age.
RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
RECR 324 Health Club and Spa Management 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 370 Visitor Information Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 470 Mtg and Conference Planning 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; RECR 270; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 489 Direct Fieldwork 1.0–6.0 FS
Prerequisites: Faculty permission.
RECR 399 Special Problems 1.0–3.0 FS
RECR 422 Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
RECR 524 Commercial Recr Operations 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 420, RECR 422; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 570 Trends Outdoor Recr & Tourism 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 579 Tourism Capstone Seminar 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Faculty permission.
SPAN 101 First-Semester Spanish 4.0 FS +
Prerequisites: SPAN 101 is not available for credit to students with two or more years of Spanish within the last three years.
SPAN 102 Second-Semester Spanish 4.0 FS +
Prerequisites: SPAN 101 or equivalent.
SPAN 201 Third-Semester Spanish 4.0 FS +
Prerequisites: SPAN 102 or equivalent.
SPAN 202 Fourth-Semester Spanish 4.0 FS +
Prerequisites: SPAN 201 or equivalent.

Note: An approved minor may be substituted for the “selected courses” in the Option in Resort Lodging Management. Approved minors include: accounting, business administration, communication, communication design, computer science, economics, foodservice administration, a foreign language, international business, management of human resources, management information systems, managing diversity in organizations, marketing, organizational communication, public administration, tourism.

The Option in Therapeutic Recreation: 38–41 units

Option Core: 18 units

6 courses required:
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 360 Therapeutic Recr Older Adults 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 460 Adv Therapeutic Recr Practices 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 466 Program Management in TR 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 260; RECR 462; RECR 464; or faculty permission.
RECR 468 Facilitation Tech in TR 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 260 or faculty permission.
RECR 569 Therapeutic Recr Case Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 260, RECR 462, or faculty permission.

Option Selection: 20–23 units
20–23 units selected from:
In consultation with a major advisor, select courses from the list below or an approved minor such as child development, health and community services, physical education, education, psychology, physical/biological sciences, social work, and sociology.

RECR 190 Service Learning in Recr Prog 2.0 FS
RECR 420 Recreation Budget/Finance Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 422 Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 462 Therapeutic Recr Services 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 260, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 464 Therapeutic Recr Techniques 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 260 or faculty permission.

Note: Two certifications are available to students: California Board of Recreation and Park Certification (CBRPC) and the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC). To qualify for the state certification, 3 units must be in anatomy/physiology. For national certification, 14 units must be taken from the following:
BIOL 103 Human Anatomy 4.0 FS +
BIOL 104 Human Physiology 4.0 FS +
PSYC 381 Abnormal Psychology 3.0 FS
SWRK 302 Hum Behav Across the Lifespan 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: No prerequisites or corequisites for non-majors; concurrent enrollment in SWRK 200 for majors.

The Option in Special Events and Tourism: 38–39 units

Option Core: 21 units

7 courses required:
RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 250 Hospitality Industry Intro 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Prior completion of or concurrent enrollment in RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 323 Special Event Plan and Oper 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 220, or faculty permission.
RECR 420 Recreation Budget/Finance Mgmt 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 422 Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 470 Mtg and Conference Planning 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
RECR 471 Customer Serv/Sales Recr Opers 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260.

Advising Pattern Course Requirements: 17–18 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required depending upon the advising pattern chosen. Students must select one of the following advising patterns for completion of the major course requirements.

Special Event Pattern: 17–18 units
6 courses selected from:
MKTG 305 Survey of Marketing 3.0 FS
MKTG 371 Consumer Behavior 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 305.
MKTG 478 Service Marketing 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: MKTG 371.
RECR 190 Service Learning in Recr Prog 2.0 FS
RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
RECR 350 Food & Beverage Administration 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 250.
RECR 360 Therapeutic Recr Older Adults 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
Advising Requirement:
Advising is mandatory for all majors in this degree program. Consult your undergraduate advisor for specific information.

Honors in the Major
Honors in the Major is a program of independent work in your major. It involves six courses of honors course work completed over two semesters. The Honors in the Major program allows you to work closely with a faculty mentor in your area of interest on an original performance or research project. This year-long collaboration allows you to work in your field at a professional level and culminates in a public presentation of your work. Students sometimes take their projects beyond the University for submission in professional journals, presentation at conferences, or competition in shows. Such experience is valuable for graduate school and later professional life. Your Honors work will be recognized at your graduation, on your permanent transcript, and on your diploma. It is often accompanied by letters of commendation from your mentor in the department or the department chair.

Some common features of Honors in the Major program are:
1. You must take 6 units of Honors in the Major course work. At least 3 of these 6 units are independent study (399H, 499H) as specified by your major advisor to apply.
2. You must have completed 9 units of upper-division course work or 21 overall units in your major before you can be admitted to Honors in the Major. Check the requirements for your major carefully, as there may be specific courses that must be included in these units.
3. Your cumulative GPA should be at least 3.5 or within the top 5% of majors in your department.
4. Your GPA in your major should be at least 3.5 or within the top 5% of majors in your department.
5. Most students apply for or are invited to participate in Honors in the Major during the second semester of their junior year. Then they complete the 6 units of course work over the two semesters of their senior year.
6. Your honors work culminates with a public presentation of your honors project.

While Honors in the Major is part of the Honors Program, each department administers its own program. Please contact your major department or major advisor to apply.

Honors in Recreation Administration

1. You must complete RECR 200, RECR 300, and RECR 499H during your senior year and earn at least a grade of B in each. You must also maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 in your senior year.

The Minor in Recreation Administration
Course Requirements for the Minor: 21 units
The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this minor.

1 course required:
RECR 200 Foundations Leisure/Recreation 3.0 FS

This course must be taken before or concurrently with the first courses taken in the minor.

3 courses selected from:
RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 250 Hospitality Industry Intro 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Prior completion of or concurrent enrollment in RECR 200 or faculty permission.
RECR 420 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.

3 courses selected from:
RECR 510 Leadership/Supervision in Recr 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
RECR 470 Assn Operations & Events 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260, or faculty permission.
RECR 360 Therapeutic Recr Older Adults 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.

Electives Requirement:
To complete the total units required for the bachelor’s degree, select additional elective courses from the total University offerings. You should consult with an advisor regarding the selection of courses which will provide breadth to your University experience and possibly apply to a supportive second major or minor.

Grading Requirement:
All courses taken to fulfill major course requirements must be taken for a letter grade except those courses specified by the department as Credit/No Credit grading only.

Written Notice
Departmental approval is required before you begin course work for this minor. Approval can be obtained by providing written notice of your intention to declare this minor to the department office.

The Minor in Tourism
Course Requirements for the Minor: 21 units
The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this minor.

1 course required:
RECR 579 Tourism Capstone Seminar 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: Faculty permission.

Tourism Core
2 courses selected from:
ANTH 338 Culture and Tourism 3.0 Inq
GEOG 325 Geography and Tourism 3.0 FA
RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260, or faculty permission.
Directed fieldwork experience with the Campus Wellness Center.

### Electives

#### 6 units selected from:
- Any upper-division courses focusing on a single geographical region (selected with the approval of the program coordinator).

### Core Requirements: 26 units

#### 10 courses required:
- RECR 185 Camp Mgmt & Outdoor Leadership 3.0 FS
- RECR 187 Outdoor Leadership Practicum 3.0 FS
- RECR 200 Foundations Leisure/Recreation 3.0 FS
- RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
- RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
- RECR 301 Leadership/Supervision in Recr 3.0 FS
- RECR 323 Special Event Plan and Oper 3.0 FS
- RECR 399 Special Problems 1.0–3.0 FS
- RECR 400 Management of Recreation/Parks 3.0 FS WP
- RECR 489 Direct Fieldwork 1.0–6.0 FS

### Directed fieldwork experience with the Campus Wellness Center.

### Certificate Selection Requirements: 6 units

#### 2 courses selected from:
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
- RECR 464 Program Management in TR 3.0 FS
- RECR 466 Program Management in TR 3.0 FS

### Certificate Electives: 9 units

#### 9 units selected from:
- BLAW 190 Understanding the Law 3.0 SP *
- BLAW 413 Employment Law 3.0 FS
- BLAW 489 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- CDES 101 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- CDES 101 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- KINE 432 Physiology of Exercise 4.0 FS
- KINE 462 Theory of Experiential Educ 3.0 FS
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS

### Certificate in Employee Services and Recreation

#### Course Requirements for the Certificate: 41 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this certificate.

- Departmental approval is required before you begin course work for this minor. Approval can be obtained by providing written notice of your intention to declare this minor to the department office.

### The Certificate in Employee Services and Recreation

#### Course Requirements for the Certificate: 41 units

- The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this certificate.
- The National Employee Services and Recreation Association has approved the following program and will award a certificate in employee services and recreation to students who successfully complete:

### Core Requirements: 26 units

#### 10 courses required:
- RECR 185 Camp Mgmt & Outdoor Leadership 3.0 FS
- RECR 187 Outdoor Leadership Practicum 3.0 FS
- RECR 200 Foundations Leisure/Recreation 3.0 FS
- RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 FS
- RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS
- RECR 301 Leadership/Supervision in Recr 3.0 FS
- RECR 323 Special Event Plan and Oper 3.0 FS
- RECR 399 Special Problems 1.0–3.0 FS
- RECR 400 Management of Recreation/Parks 3.0 FS WP
- RECR 489 Direct Fieldwork 1.0–6.0 FS

### Directed fieldwork experience with the Campus Wellness Center.

### Certificate Selection Requirements: 6 units

#### 2 courses selected from:
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS

### Certificate Electives: 9 units

#### 9 units selected from:
- BLAW 190 Understanding the Law 3.0 SP *
- BLAW 413 Employment Law 3.0 FS
- BLAW 489 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- CDES 101 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- CDES 101 Introduction to Communication 3.0 FS
- KINE 432 Physiology of Exercise 4.0 FS
- KINE 462 Theory of Experiential Educ 3.0 FS
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems 3.0 FS
- RECR 270 Commercial Recreation/Tourism 3.0 FS

### Certificate in Outdoor Education

#### Course Requirements for the Certificate: 24–34 units

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this certificate.

- A grade point average of 2.5 or better must be earned for courses required for the certificate, with at least a C earned in each course. Wilderness 1st Responder certification is required for this certificate.

### 5 courses required:
- KINE 226 Meth of Tch Wilderness Living 3.0 FA
- KINE 460 Phil Found of Outdoor Educ 3.0 FS
- KINE 464 Facilitating Adventure Exp 3.0 FS
- RECR 428 Recr Law & Legal Principles 3.0 FS
- RECR 448 Mthds/Materials for Environ Ed 3.0 FS

### 1 course selected from:
- KINE 315 Intro to Adapted Phys Act 3.0 FS
- RECR 260 Intro to TR & Inclusive Recr 3.0 FS

### 1 course selected from:
- KINE 462 Theory of Experiential Educ 3.0 FS
- RECR 301 Leadership/Supervision in Recr 3.0 FS
The Master of Arts in Recreation Administration

The MA in Recreation Administration prepares students to assume supervisory and managerial positions in the following general areas: community recreation and leisure services, private and commercial enterprises, parks and natural resources management, and therapeutic recreation services and recreation for special populations. The program also provides preparation for students who wish to pursue doctorates at other institutions and/or teaching positions in post-secondary settings.

Course Requirements for the Master’s Degree: 30 units
Continuous enrollment is required. A maximum of 9 semester units of transfer and/or CSU Chico Open University course work may be applied toward the degree.

Graduate Time Limit:
All requirements for the degree are to be completed within five years of the end of the semester of enrollment in the oldest course applied toward the degree. See “Graduate Education” in the University Catalog for complete details on general degree requirements.

Prerequisites for Admission to Conditionally Classified Status:
1. Satisfactory grade point average as specified in “Admission to Master’s Degree Programs” in the University Catalog.
2. Approval by the department and the Office of Graduate Studies.
3. An acceptable baccalaureate in Recreation and/or Parks (or an allied discipline) from an accredited institution, or an equivalent approved by the Office of Graduate Studies. (Students with a baccalaureate in a field other than Recreation and/or Parks may be admitted to conditionally classified status, but may be required to complete specified undergraduate classes.)
4. Successful work experience in Recreation and/or Parks, or in a related field for approximately one year, or the equivalent.
5. Three letters of recommendation from former instructors and/or employers.
6. Completion of the Graduate Record Examination General Aptitude Test with a minimum combined score of 1000 (or equivalent) based on the verbal reasoning and quantitative reasoning with no score lower than 450 on either measure, and a minimum score of 3.5 on the analytical writing measure.

Prerequisites for Admission to Classified Status:
In addition to any requirements listed above:
1. A 3.0 (B) average in all postbaccalaureate course work.

Advancement to Candidacy:
In addition to any requirements listed above:
1. Classified graduate standing and completion at the University of at least 9 units of the proposed program.
2. Formation of the graduate advisory committee in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator.
3. Development of an approved program in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator.

Requirements for the MA Degree in Recreation Administration:
Completion of all requirements as established by the department graduate committee, the graduate advisory committee, and the Office of Graduate Studies, to include:
1. Completion of an approved program consisting of 30 units of 400/500/600-level courses as follows:
   a. At least 24 units of 600-level courses in Recreation and Parks Management (see specific requirements for the thesis/project plans below).
   b. Not more than 9 semester units of transfer and/or extension credit (correspondence courses and U.C. extension course work are not acceptable).
   c. Not more than 15 units taken before admission to classified status.
   d. Not more than a total of 10 units of Independent Study (697) and Master’s Thesis (699T) or Master’s Project (699P); not more than 6 units of Master’s Thesis (699T) or Master’s Project (699P).
2. Completion of one of the following plans:
   a. Thesis Plan
   b. Project Plan

4 courses required:
RECR 611 Theory of Leisure and Recr 3.0 FA
RECR 642 Sem in Leisure Services Mgmt 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: RECR 611.
RECR 643 Seminar in Leadership 3.0 SP
RECR 699T Master’s Thesis 1.0–6.0 FS

1 course selected from:
RECR 621 Research Designs Recr/Leisure 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: RECR 611 or equivalent, or upper-division statistics (or concurrent enrollment);
RECR 602 Sem in Comm Research Methods 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: CMST 332; CMST graduate standing or faculty permission.
KINE 602 Research Design in Kinesiology 3.0 FS
Note: KINE 602 may be taken only with the Graduate Advisory Committee’s approval.

9 units selected from:
Select an additional 9 units of course work approved by the Graduate Advisory Committee chair. Selected courses may include, but are not limited to, the following:

HCSV 579 Grant Wrtg/Other Fundraising 3.0 FS
RECR 601 Contemp Issue Recr/Leisure 3.0 FS
RECR 611 Research Designs Recr/Leisure 3.0 FA
RECR 631 Surveys and Appraisals 3.0 Inq
Prerequisites: RECR 611 and RECR 621 or equivalents, or upper-division statistics (or concurrent enrollment), faculty permission.
RECR 642 Seminar Leisure Services Mgmt 3.0 SP
RECR 689 Graduate Internship 1.0–4.0 FS
RECR 699T Research Design in Kinesiology 3.0 FS

A maximum of 6 units of 400/500-level courses in Recreation and Parks Management may be used as long as they are approved in advance by the Graduate Coordinator and as long as the overall requirement for 24 units of 600-level work has been met.

Students must submit an acceptable thesis based on research of a significant problem or issue in the discipline. An oral defense of the thesis is required. The thesis must be prepared in accordance with the format requirements in A Guide to Graduate Studies. The final thesis must be approved by the candidate’s Graduate Advisory Committee, the Graduate Coordinator, and the School of Graduate, International and Interdisciplinary Studies. The thesis serves as a permanent record and is submitted to the School of Graduate, International and Interdisciplinary Studies for accession to the library.

1. Project Plan
4 courses required:
RECR 611 Theory of Leisure and Recr 3.0 FA
RECR 642 Sem in Leisure Services Mgmt 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: RECR 611.
RECR 643 Seminar in Leadership 3.0 SP
RECR 699P Master’s Project 1.0–6.0 FS

1 course selected from:
RECR 621 Research Designs Recr/Leisure 3.0 FA
Prerequisites: RECR 611 or equivalent, or upper-division statistics (or concurrent enrollment).
CMST 603 Approach to Human Comm Res 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: CMST graduate standing or faculty permission.
KINE 602 Research Design in Kinesiology 3.0 FS
Note: KINE 602 may be taken only with the Graduate Advisory Committee’s approval.

12 units selected from:
Select an additional 12 units of course work approved by the Graduate Advisory Committee chair. Selected courses may include, but are not limited to, the following:

HCSV 579 Grant Wrtg/Other Fundraising 3.0 FS
RECR 601 Contemp Issue Recr/Leisure 3.0 Inq

KINE 470 Practicum in Outdoor Education 9.0 SM
KINE 227 Winter and the Mountain 4.0 JA
KINE 224 Mthd Tch Canoeing/Kayaking 3.0 SM
KINE 601 Stat Meth in Kinesiology Res 3.0 FS
Prerequisites: KINE 484 or faculty permission.
CMST 603 Approach to Human Comm Res 3.0 SP
Prerequisites: CMST graduate standing or faculty permission.
KINE 602 Research Design in Kinesiology 3.0 FS
Note: CMST 603 may be taken only with the Graduate Advisory Committee’s approval.
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Recreation and Parks Management Course Offerings

Please see the section on “Course Description Symbols and Terms” in the University Catalog for an explanation of course description terminology and symbols, the course numbering system, and course credit units. All courses are lecture and discussion and employ letter grading unless otherwise stated. Some prerequisites may be waived with faculty permission. Many syllabi are available on the Chico Web.

RECR 180 Leisure and Life 3.0 Fa/Spr
Orientation to leisure in terms of personal and social growth, leisure and recreational planning, leisure time management, fitness and health enhancement, stress management, constructive use of leisure, and the development of personal leisure values. Designed for non-majors. This is an approved General Education course.

RECR 185 Camp Management and Outdoor Leadership 3.0 Fa/Spr
Introduction to basic camp management, outdoor-related skills, and outdoor leadership in a back-country environment. Exposure to the logistical planning process, risk management, environmental awareness/education, outdoor recreation programming, and psycho-social leadership skills. This course is applicable to all disciplines dealing with the management of people in a wilderness setting. 2.0 hours lecture, 3.0 hours laboratory.

RECR 187 Outdoor Leadership Practicum 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 185, or faculty permission. Theoretical and pragmatic application of outdoor leadership strategies and techniques for the provision of safe and satisfying formal outdoor recreation group experiences. Exposure to a laboratory leadership experience with an emphasis on psycho-social leadership skills, including judgment and decision-making, risk management, and the emotional, intellectual, and physiological elements of effective outdoor leadership. Required field trips, 2.0 hours discussion, 3.0 hours laboratory. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

RECR 190 Service Learning in Recreation Programs 2.0 Fa/Spr
This course provides students with the opportunity to become involved in service to recreation and leisure agencies and organizations. Integrated learning is coupled with service in a collaborative relationship with a variety of civic and regional service agencies and organizations. Students are involved in planning, implementing, and evaluating selected service learning projects. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 4.0 units.

RECR 198 Special Topics 1.0–3.0 Fa/Spr
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0–3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered.

RECR 200 Foundations of Leisure and Recreation 3.0 Fa/Spr
First professional preparation course for majors and minors. Prerequisite to all upper-division required recreation courses for majors and minors. Sociology and social psychology of leisure. History of leisure in Western cultures. Philosophical foundations of leisure studies. Introduction to the principal journals and professional literature. Ethics and foundations of professional practice. Introduction to the principal professional organizations, careers, and course of study planning. CAN REC 2.

RECR 201 Computers in Recreation 3.0 Fa/Spr
Familiarization with the capabilities, limitations, and recreation management applications of computers. The basic operation, functions, and vocabulary of computers will be examined. Word processing, electronic spreadsheet, and database/file management software packages will be introduced. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

RECR 220 Foundations of Programming 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission. Theory and process of program planning, construction, operation, and evaluation as applicable to a variety of agencies and communities. Exposure to several types of programs serving different age groups, interests, and needs within a range of environments. Recruitment, use, and supervision of volunteers. Exploration of program areas in depth: social, cultural, physical, mental, and special events. Consideration of practical application. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity.
RECR 240 Outdoor Recreation Systems
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
Resources and needs for outdoor recreation: managing people and natural resources to provide quality outdoor recreation experiences. Study of historic, social, political, economic, and environmental factors influencing natural resources recreation at federal, state, and local levels. Survey of conflicts in natural resource land use. Required field trip.

RECR 250 Hospitality Industry Introduction
Prerequisites: Prior completion of or concurrent enrollment in RECR 200 or faculty permission.
An introduction and overview of the history, present, and future of the resort and lodging industry. All aspects of the industry will be discussed, with emphasis on managerial and supervisory career opportunities and managerial responsibilities in the resort and lodging industry. Historical developments, pioneers, and industry leaders will be discussed. The course will also explore the complex interrelationships involved in this service industry, and stress the variety of career opportunities available and how to prepare to be a successful professional.

RECR 260 Introduction to Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusive Recreation
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
A study of the characteristics and needs of special populations, specifically related to the delivery of leisure services. In-depth discussion of personal and societal attitudes, stereotypes, legislation, accessibility, and activity modification. Special populations covered include physically disabled, developmentally disabled, substance abusers, juvenile delinquents, learning disabled, mentally ill, and sensory impaired. Learning experiences include volunteer work, field trips, guest speakers, and wheelchair experience. This course is applicable to all disciplines dealing with special populations.

RECR 270 Commercial Recreation and Tourism
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
Overview of the private sector of leisure services, including current trends in commercial recreation, employee recreation, the resort and hospitality industry, and recreation travel and tourism. The social, economic, and environmental significance of tourism and private sector recreation is examined. Selected recreation specialty businesses and tourism service providers are explored.

RECR 300 Leisure Science
Prerequisites: RECR 200; one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement; or faculty permission.
Applications of science in recreation and parks management, including needs assessment and evaluation methods. Interpretation of research literature. Use of computers for data management and analysis. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

RECR 301 Leadership and Supervision in Recreation
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200; or faculty permission.
Study of the nature, scope, status, and historical development of professional leadership in recreation, parks, and special groups. Types, responsibilities, and criteria for positions. Professional preparation, certification, and licensing of personnel. Examination of professional body of knowledge, group dynamics, and theories of leadership. Competence, skills, and techniques of the supervisor and other professional personnel stressed.

RECR 310 Natural Resources and the Informed Citizen
Prerequisites: Junior standing.
The role of citizens in influencing natural resources policy. Integrative study of factors influencing wildlife, timber, range, water, air, mineral, and recreation resources, including resource scarcity, societal structure, economic influences, and institutional policies. Focus on public involvement in natural resources planning and decision-making. Survey of basic principles of multiple-use natural resource management. This is an approved General Education course.

RECR 320 Leisure Services in Military Settings
Prerequisites: RECR 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260; or faculty permission.
Designs and implements recreational programs at military installations. The course will focus on military careers that provide recreational services to military service personnel and their dependents. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.

RECR 322 Trends in Recreation Services
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200 or faculty permission.
Theory and practice of organizing and directing programs, tournaments, and special events for sports and physical recreation activities which are applicable to health clubs, corporations, military, health spas, and communities.

RECR 323 Special Event Planning and Operations
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 220, or faculty permission.
Planning and implementing festivals and special events. Topics include event planning, coordination, research, marketing, revenue generation, sponsorship, programming, media relations, volunteers, risk management, and evaluation. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.

RECR 324 Health Club and Spa Management
Prerequisites: RECR 200, or faculty permission.
Topics include organization, planning, program development, program design, facility design, equipment utilization, management, and community interaction. Introduction to trends in the business, and design and management of a successful model in today's society.

RECR 342 Systems Management in Maintenance and Operations
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
Purpose, types, organization for scheduling, budget, recruitment, training, supervision, appraisal, tasks, tools, equipment, vegetation, OSHA, safety, and methods of maintenance. Design to minimize maintenance and vandalism. Review of special facilities: pools, golf courses, ball fields, camps, lakes, marinas, ski areas, state and federal recreation areas, etc. Field visits required. 2.0 hours lecture, 3.0 hours laboratory.

RECR 350 Food and Beverage Management
Prerequisites: RECR 250.
Organization, administration, and management of food service in the Food Service/Hospitality industry. 2.0 hours discussion, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

RECR 354 Resort/Lodging Development
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 230, or prior completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission.
Discussion of the conceptualization of a resort or lodging business, feasibility studies, financing requirements; federal, state, and local considerations and requirements, management theories and practical application, management principles and practices relating to the maintenance of resort/lodging facilities. The emphasis is on the applications of principles of management in resort/lodging operations. Issues are explored from all levels of management, but with emphasis on a supervisor and/or middle management perspective. 2.0 hours discussion, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

RECR 360 Therapeutic Recreation Activities for Older Adults
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission.
Methods and skills to effectively provide recreation services for elders in a variety of settings: current issues and problems involved in providing leisure and recreation services for the elders; examination of the value of recreation activities in the lives of elders with regard to relatives and friends as well as oneself; resources for providing leisure programs and pre-retirement planning. Requires out-of-class activity with senior programs. Helpful to all disciplines working with senior citizens. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity.

RECR 370 Visitor Information Systems
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270, or faculty permission.
Investigation of destination marketing organizations (DMOs) and destination marketing tactics. Analysis of career options and requirements. Role of affinity groups, group travel, and database marketing in destination development and marketing. Creation of materials for cooperative tourism marketing programs.

RECR 398 Special Topics
1.0–3.0 Fa/Spr
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0–3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered.

RECR 399 Special Problems
1.0–3.0 Fa/Spr
This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0–3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units. Credit/no credit grading only.
Management of Recreation and Parks 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: ENGL 110 (or its equivalent); a grade of C- or higher, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, REC 200, REC 301; one course chosen from REC 220, REC 240, REC 250, or REC 260; senior standing. Management of parks and/or recreation operations and agencies. Legalities, policies, practices, procedures, principles, and theory related to planning, organizing, staffing, training, motivating, controlling, evaluating, financing, and managing resources in parks, recreation, and leisure services. This is a writing proficiency, WP course; a grade of C- or better certifies writing proficiency for majors.

Advanced Applications of Technology for Recreation, Tourism, and Leisure Services 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Any approved department course literate course. Advanced technological applications for recreation, tourism, and leisure services managers. Use of the computer as a decision-making tool. Intermediate and advanced applications of computer software to solve budgeting, database marketing and management, visual presentation, desktop publishing, GIS, and statistical problems confronting contemporary leisure services managers. 2.0 hours lecture, 3.0 hours laboratory.

Recreation Budgeting and Finance Management 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200; one course chosen from REC 220, REC 240, REC 250, or REC 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement; or faculty permission. Management approaches to budget and finance in recreation and park agencies and businesses; budget preparations, forecasting, accounting techniques, and capital acquisition. Review of revenue options, capital funding, and revenue sources included. 2.0 hours discussion, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Leisure Services Promotion 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission. Development of the ability to promote, publicize, mobilize, and coordinate private, commercial, and community recreation programs, services, resources, and activities to meet recreation needs. Development of public relations knowledge and skills necessary for managing a park and recreation agency, organization, or business. Covers working with print and electronic media. Special emphasis on market analysis, marketing, and promotion. Corporate Certification available from the American Hotel and Motel Association. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Recreation Law and Legal Principles 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200; concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of REC 220, REC 240, REC 250, or REC 260; or faculty permission. An introduction to the legal principles and policies that regulate the provision of recreation services. Legal issues affecting the interests of the public and private sector of recreation, including liability, contracts, and torts. Applicable to allied health and human service programs. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours laboratory. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Environmental Interpretation and Communication 4.0 Spring
Prerequisites: Upper-division standing, a basic oral communication course such as CMST 131, or faculty permission. Theory and application of environmental interpretation services to visitors in natural and cultural resource settings. Communication of environmental information to general public via audio-visual presentations, conducted trips, exhibits, nature trails, publications, and visitor centers. 3.0 hours lecture, 4.0 hours laboratory. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Natural Resources Management 3.0 Fall
Prerequisites: REC 200, REC 240, or faculty permission. Managing the interactions between natural resources and users to produce outdoor recreation. The outdoor recreation production function. Carrying capacity, limits of acceptable change, competition, and compatibility among recreation uses and between recreation uses and other resource uses. Methods for monitoring recreational impacts, and approaches to managing resource quality and recreational opportunities. Required field trip, 2.0 hours discussion, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Recreation and Natural Resource Economics 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200, REC 240, computer literacy, or faculty permission. Development of economic tools to analyze the demand for and the supply of outdoor recreation, and recreation services. Costs of recreation management and impacts on local communities, pricing and paying for facilities.

Methods and Materials for Environmental Education 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: BIOL 342 or GEOS 130 or equivalent or faculty permission. Experiential-oriented survey of methods and materials for teaching environmental concepts in schools, communities, nature centers, companies, and parks. Exposure to history, theory, philosophy, and goals of environmental education programs. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule. This course is also offered as EDCCI 448.

Resor/Lodging Management 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200, REC 250, computer literacy. Concepts of organization, communication, ethics, and policy formulation in the front of the house operations in the hotel and hospitality industry. Introducing the basic techniques and trends in the system and equipment available to meet the needs of management and guests. Special fee required; see the Class Schedule.

Advanced Therapeutic Recreation Practices 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200, REC 260, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission. An in-depth exploration of special populations, including individuals with disabilities and diseases. Content will focus on etiology, prognosis, symptomatic conditions, and recreation therapy prescription. Medical terminology and pharmacology as it relates to therapeutic recreation will be discussed. Appropriate for health professionals.

Therapeutic Recreation Service 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 200, REC 260, computer literacy. Comprehensive study of the provision of therapeutic recreation services, primarily in clinical settings. Topics include the philosophy of therapeutic recreation, historical foundations, assessment, goal planning, documentation, evaluation, activity analysis, therapeutic modalities, clinical team approaches, medical terminology, transfer techniques, professionalism, and trends.

Therapeutic Recreation Techniques 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 260 or faculty permission. The study of therapeutic techniques (e.g. creative drama, art, music, puppetry, adapted dance) used with special populations in clinical and community-based settings. Focus is on exploring, planning, and presenting techniques in the classroom and participating in activities at various agencies in the community. Applicable to allied health and human service disciplines. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.

Program Management in Therapeutic Recreation 3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: REC 260, REC 462, or REC 464; or faculty permission. Application of knowledge and skills in planning, implementing, and evaluating an eight-week leisure program for a special population in an agency of the student's choice. Course topics include volunteer management, marketing, public relations, funding, risk management, evaluation, and problem-solving. Requires out-of-class activity. Applicable to all human service fields. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours field studies.
Facilitation Techniques in Therapeutic Recreation
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200 or faculty permission. Study and practical application of individual and group leisure counseling techniques (students will counsel their peers). Other topics include communication skills, leisure assessments, leisure resources, leisure education activities, and applications of leisure counseling for special populations. Applicable for all leisure service professionals and human service disciplines.

Meeting and Conference Planning
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 270, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission. This course provides an overview of the meeting, conference, and event planning industry, including suppliers and affiliates. It is designed to provide students with basic information and experience about the development and implementation of a meeting or conference. Experiential and theoretical information about planning and design, budgeting, and financial management systems, measurement and evaluation and risk and liability will be presented.

Customer Service and Sales in Recreation Operations
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260. Comprehensive knowledge of managing customer service in recreation, park, hospitality, and tourism organizations. Students will define and apply planning and management for quality customer service in recreation, hospitality, travel, and tourism organizations. Methods for identifying customer service expectations; developing a service culture within a recreation or hospitality organization; setting quality standards; developing policies, procedures, and systems to assure quality customer service; managing personnel for quality customer service; developing techniques to minimize customer service problems; resolving customer complaints; and measuring customer satisfaction.

Association Operations and Events
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 240, RECR 250, or RECR 260. Exploration of the role and scope of professional associations and affinity organizations and organizations. Students will define and apply planning and development of member benefits. Partnerships with campus or area organizations provide opportunities to apply the class material.

Ecotourism
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 270. Students investigate and analyze the concept of “ecotourism.” Ecotourism is first defined and then studied for its potential benefits and pitfalls. The contexts of natural resources, cultural complexities, socio-economic capacities, and institutional structures are discussed. Case studies from around the globe are analyzed.

Direct Fieldwork
1.0–6.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: faculty permission. This course is directed fieldwork for 1.0–3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 15.0 units. Credit/no credit grading only.

Special Topics
1.0–3.0 Fa/Spr
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0–3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered.

Honors Seminar in Recreation and Parks Management
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Faculty permission, acceptance in the Honors in the Major program. This course is non-graded and is an individualized activity. Students will formulate a research problem, develop a research proposal, conduct the research, and submit a written report on the project. This will entail developing competence in a research methodology appropriate to the field of recreation and the student’s interests. Emphasis of the literature, collecting data, and acceptance of a prospectus for a senior paper. This review will carry forward to RECR 510H, where Honors students will refine their research and present their paper. This course fulfills 50 percent of the requirements for Honors in the Major.

Management of Recreation and Parks—Honors
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: ENGL 130 (or its equivalent) with a grade of C– or higher, successful completion of computer literacy requirement, RECR 200, RECR 201, RECR 220 or RECR 240 or RECR 260; senior standing, RECR 499H, and acceptance in the Honors in the Major program. Management of parks and/or recreation operations and agencies. Legalities, policies, practices, procedures, principles, and theory related to planning, organizing, staffing, training, motivating, controlling, evaluating, financing, and managing resources in parks, recreation, and leisure services. The Honors student will refine the honors paper into publishable form and make a public presentation as a part of this class. This course fulfills 50 percent of the requirements for Honors in the Major. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity. This is a writing proficiency, WP, course; a grade of C– or better certifies writing proficiency for majors.

Commercial Recreation Operation
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 240, RECR 422, one course chosen from RECR 220, RECR 230, or RECR 260; successful completion of computer literacy requirement, or faculty permission. Management of private and commercial recreation programs, areas, and facilities. Considers planning, organizing, financing, staffing, operation, evaluation, facility use, and operational effectiveness and efficiency. Explores a broad range of private and commercial operations.

Advanced Methods of Environmental Interpretation
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Upper-division standing, a basic oral communication course (such as CMST 131), RECR 444, or faculty permission. This course explores advanced principles, methods, and techniques related to environmental interpretation programs and services at natural and cultural resource sites. Focuses on developing interpretive master plans, producing audio-visual media such as computer-generated presentations, preparing interpretive publications, and programming special events such as living history demonstrations. Discusses the management and evaluation of interpretive programs.

Senior Workshop in Parks and Natural Resources Field Methods
2.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 240, RECR 300, RECR 440, senior standing. A workshop course intended to develop specific skills and field measurement techniques commonly used in recreation and natural resources management. Field methods will be developed for use in recreation resource management and will integrate with forest, watershed, wildlife, fisheries, and range management as well as urban forestry and urban, county, district, rural, and regional parkland management. The relationship between techniques and their use in recreation resource management will be addressed. 4.0 hours activity.

Resort/Lodging Seminar
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 200, RECR 250, RECR 240, RECR 452, computer literacy. This is a capstone course designed to focus on the responsibilities of executive committee members and the general manager of a hotel. This course draws on concepts from the functional disciplines such as marketing, finance, human resource, and operations in the diagnosis, analysis, and resolution of complex business situations. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity.

Therapeutic Recreation Case Management
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: RECR 260, RECR 462, or faculty permission. Controlled case management process. Assessing, diagnosing, goal-planning, implementing individual treatment programs, and evaluation. One-to-one treatment procedure. Applicable to allied health and human service professionals. 1.0 hours lecture, 4.0 hours activity.

Trends in Outdoor Recreation and Tourism
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in or prior completion of RECR 200, or faculty permission. Orientation to agencies, activities, programs, and small businesses in outdoor recreation and tourism. Program development and implementation strategies considered for a variety of settings from organized camping to entrepreneurship. Critical issues affecting the delivery of outdoor recreation services are analyzed. Required field trips. 2.0 hours lecture, 2.0 hours activity.

Tourism Capstone Seminar
3.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Faculty permission. Synthesis of tourism as an industry, including its history and growth. Analysis of career potentials and requirements. Role of multi-national businesses and domestic and international tourism. Study of tourism in selected destinations.
RECR 584  Internship Preparation  1.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Senior standing, faculty permission.
Preparation for internship field assignment in ensuing semester; resume and job inquiry letter writing, community and agency traditions, mores, environments and expectations, interview methods, problem-solving, human relations, attitudes, communication skills, positive learning and contributing. Leads to and requires securing of an internship to complete course requirements. 2.0 hours activity.

RECR 585  Merit Internship Preparation  1.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Senior standing, cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, faculty permission.
Preparation for merit internship field assignment in international area in ensuing semester; resume and job inquiry letter writing, community and agency environments, traditions, mores and expectations, interview methods, problem-solving, human relations, attitudes and communication skills, positive learning and contributing. Leads to and requires securing of an internship to complete the course requirements. 2.0 hours activity.

RECR 586  Internship Seminar  1.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in RECR 589, faculty permission.
Pre-assignment preparation for internship experience and post-assignment analysis of the 14 weeks of full-time experience in a recreation, parks, hospitality, therapeutic, or special group operation, business, or agency. Credit/no credit grading only.

RECR 587  Merit Internship Seminar  1.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in RECR 589M, cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, faculty permission.
Pre-assignment preparation for merit internship experience and post-assignment analysis of the 14 weeks of full-time experience in a recreation, parks, hospitality, therapeutic, or special group operation, business, or agency. Credit/no credit grading only.

RECR 589  Internship in Parks, Recreation, and/or Hospitality  1.0–12.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Graduating senior standing, completion of other course requirements, RECR 584, 700 hours of approved field experience, concurrent enrollment in RECR 586, cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, faculty permission.
Supervised off-campus, full-time practical work or leadership experience, including application of curricular knowledge and skills, study of agency applications and resources, and public and/or private service offerings. Internship field placement must be approved by faculty advisor. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 15.0 units. Credit/no credit grading only. Formerly RECR 588.

RECR 589M  Merit Internship in Parks, Recreation, and/or Hospitality  12.0 Fa/Spr
Prerequisites: Graduating senior standing, GPA of 3.0 or higher in overall course work, completion of other course requirements, RECR 585, 1000 hours of approved field experience, concurrent enrollment in RECR 587, faculty permission.
Supervised off-campus, full-time practical work or leadership experience, including application of curricular knowledge and skills, study of agency applications and resources and public and/or private service offerings. Internship field placement must be approved by faculty advisor. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 15.0 units. Credit/no credit grading only. Formerly RECR 589.

RECR 601  Contemporary Issues in Leisure and Recreation  3.0 Inquire
Exploration of leisure in contemporary society; current issues and trends. Analysis of social, political, and economic forces affecting leisure trends and leisure landscapes through exploration of current literature.

RECR 611  Theory of Leisure and Recreation  3.0 Fall
Foundations of theory and the professional organization of the field of recreation. Exploration of the social, psychological, cultural, economic, physical, and environmental determinants of leisure behavior. Critical analysis of the growing body of research and literature in the field.

RECR 621  Research Designs for Recreation and Leisure  3.0 Fall
Prerequisites: RECR 611 or equivalent, or upper-division statistics (or concurrent enrollment).
Research design in leisure studies with application to theoretical development and professional practice. Techniques include problem solving, literature review, quantitative research methods, data collection and analysis, and interpretation of results. Basic statistical concepts. Mechanics of the written report.

RECR 631  Surveys and Appraisals  3.0 Inquire
Prerequisites: RECR 611 and RECR 621 or equivalents, or upper-division statistics (or concurrent enrollment); faculty permission.
Study of survey and appraisal processes used in recreation and park management. Focus on development and administration of qualitative research methods; examination of data collection and presentation techniques.

RECR 642  Seminar in Leisure Services Management  3.0 Spring
Prerequisites: RECR 611.
A critical examination of selected theories, current research, methods, and professional practice in management of leisure services in public, commercial, and non-profit settings. Examination of current relevant literature. Student research and in-depth presentations required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 4.0 units.

RECR 643  Seminar in Therapeutic Recreation  3.0 Odd Fa
A critical examination of selected theories, current research, methods, and professional practice in therapeutic recreation. Examination of current relevant literature. Student research and in-depth presentations required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 4.0 units.

RECR 644  Seminar in Parks and Natural Resources  3.0 Even Fa
A critical examination of selected theories, current research, methods, and professional practice in parks and natural resources management. Examination of current relevant literature. Student research and in-depth presentations required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 4.0 units.

RECR 645  Seminar in Leadership  3.0 Spring
A critical examination of selected theories, current research, methods, and professional practice in leadership for recreation and organizational settings. Examination of current relevant literature. Student research and in-depth presentations required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 4.0 units.

RECR 689  Graduate Internship  1.0–4.0 Fa/Spr
This course is an internship offered for 1.0–4.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Supervised field experience in a selected agency congruent with the student’s major emphasis. Periodic conferences, and evaluation sessions with student, agency personnel, and University faculty. Student reports are required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 15.0 units.

RECR 697  Independent Study  1.0–6.0 Fa/Spr
This course is a graduate-level independent study offered for 1.0–6.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Supervised field experience in a selected agency congruent with the student’s major emphasis. Periodic conferences, and evaluation sessions with student, agency personnel, and University faculty. Student reports are required. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.

RECR 699P  Master’s Project  1.0–6.0 Fa/Spr
This course is offered for 1.0–6.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Project requirements include development of a project directly related to the candidate’s area of professional specialization; writing of the support document which defines the purpose of the project, describes the development process, and presents other related information. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.

RECR 699T  Master’s Thesis  1.0–6.0 Fa/Spr
This course is offered for 1.0–6.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Thesis requirements include systematic study of a significant problem; writing of the thesis, which identifies the problem, summarizes related research, describes the methodology used, and presents findings and conclusions. You may take this course more than once for a maximum of 6.0 units.