RECREATION, PARK, AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT, B.S. (HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: University Park, World Campus

Program Description

The program prepares students for supervisory and administrative positions with park systems, environmental centers, commercial recreation and tourism agencies, golf courses, hospitals and assisted living facilities, private voluntary agencies, schools and colleges, and other commercial, nonprofit, and public organizations that provide recreation and leisure services. The program combines a broad educational foundation with specific courses designed to accommodate career interests in recreation, park, and tourism management. The program helps students gain the theoretical, managerial, technical, and experiential skills they need to become the next generation of leaders in the field. Additionally, students obtain real-world experience through our internship experiences.

Four (4) options are offered:

Commercial Recreation and Tourism Management Option
Available at the following campuses: Abington, Greater Allegheny, University Park, World Campus

This option focuses on management in the private/commercial, non-profit, and public sectors of recreation/leisure services. The private/commercial focus will be of interest to students seeking careers in a variety of commercial settings such as resorts; theme parks, convention centers; sports and fitness facilities, including arenas and stadiums; tourism promotion/planning agencies; and employee recreation departments within corporations. This focus will also appeal to students wishing to become entrepreneurs.

Community Recreation Management Option
Available at the following campuses: Abington, Greater Allegheny, University Park

For those interested in the community, public, or non-profit sectors for positions within municipal, state, and federal government agencies; recreation divisions of the armed services; YMCA agencies; United Way agencies; scouting organizations; university-affiliated units such as student unions, intramural and alumni services; and other non-profit organizations.

Professional Golf Management Option
Available at the following campuses: University Park

Accredited by the Professional Golfers’ Association of America, the Professional Golf Management Option prepares students for careers in the golf industry. Students will be prepared to assess leadership and management principles including customer service, interpersonal skills, business communication, conflict resolution, time management, negotiating, project management, marketing, and community relations. In addition to the core curriculum, the program has a strong business focus and is drawn from several nationally recognized academic disciplines on campus.

Outdoor Recreation Management Option
Available at the following campuses: University Park

This option prepare students for careers in Park Management and Environmental Interpretation (PMEI), Adventure Recreation, or in both fields. The Adventure Recreation pathway emphasizes outdoor experiential leadership, including wilderness experiences and personal development. The PMEI pathway focuses on natural and cultural history, environmental interpretation and education and the social science of conservation. The third pathway provides a flexible route for students to combine parts of the Adventure Recreation and PMEI pathways to create a meaningful personalized set of courses that could include study abroad experiences and prepare students for international contexts of recreation management. The Outdoor Recreation Management option is of interest to students seeking employment in a variety of outdoor recreation and park settings (local, state, and national from urban to wilderness) offering outdoor activities and personal development to the public.

What is Recreation, Park and Tourism Management?

Faculty in Recreation, Park and Tourism Management (RPTM) teach and conduct research and outreach in the areas of recreation, park management, golf management and tourism to address how humans derive benefits from leisure activities. RPTM faculty teach and conduct research in variety of disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives to better understand the natural, psychological, social, economic, and cultural systems that influence human behavior in the context of recreation, parks and tourism. Our interdisciplinary, systems approach enables us to address issues of human well being, and sustainable development through curricula and innovative research programs. Our mission is to transform human health and well-being through engaging people in recreation, park, tourism and leisure activities.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT RECREATION, PARK, AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT (http://hhd.psu.edu/rptm/)

You Might Like This Program If...

Our world-class faculty members help make a difference for you by:

• Engaging students in hands-on learning.
• Providing opportunities for international experiences.
• Encouraging involvement in and out of the classroom and in professional organizations.

Our mission is to transform human health and well-being through engaging people in recreation, park, tourism, and leisure opportunities. We aim to educate and inspire you to make contributions to society, and our conceptual approach serves as the foundation of what and how we teach. In particular, we integrate topics such as diversity, environmental sustainability, human development, health and well-being, social innovation and entrepreneurship, community, and economic development.
Entrance to Major

Students who have completed 29.1 credits with a 2.00 cumulative grade-point average are eligible for entrance into the major, except for the Professional Golf Management option.

First-year students are admitted directly into the Golf Management option at the University Park campus only. In addition to the University's academic requirements, each student admitted to the Golf Management option must have a playing proficiency represented by a minimum golf handicap of 12 or lower. This must be certified in writing by a Professional Golf Association member or golf coach.

Direct Admission to the Professional Golf Management Option

Incoming first-year students who meet the program admission requirements are admitted directly into the major. Admission restrictions may apply for change-of-major and/or change-of-campus students.

For more information about the admission process for this major, please send a request to the college, campus, or program contact (listed in the Contact tab).

Degree Requirements

For the Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management, a minimum of 120 credits is required:

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3-4 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 0-3 credits of GS courses; 0-4 credits of GQ courses.

Per Senate Policy 83.80.5, the college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. RPTM requires students to complete 24 credits for the major through courses taken at University Park. Courses taken at other Penn State campuses may not be counted toward this 24 credit minimum. For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for this major.

Requirements for the Major

To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/ #82-44).

Common Requirements for the Major (All Options)

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Requirements for the Option

Commercial Recreation and Tourism Management Option (46-47 credits)

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<td>Introduction to Management in the Hospitality Industry</td>
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Supporting Courses and Related Areas

Consult with an adviser to review course recommendations, Minors, and Certificate Programs.

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Community Recreation Management Option (43-44 credits)
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Supporting Courses and Related Areas

Consult with an adviser to review course recommendations, Minors, and Certificate Programs. 15 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements.

Outdoor Recreation Management Option (40-41 credits)
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Supporting Courses and Related Areas

Select 15 credits in an Outdoor Recreation Management Pathway. Consult with an adviser to review course recommendations, Minors, and Certificate Programs.

Professional Golf Management Option (47 credits)
Available at the following campuses: University Park

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Select 12 credits from the following: 12 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements.

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General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)
• Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
• Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

Knowledge Domains
• Arts (GA): 6 credits
• Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
• Humanities (GH): 6 credits
• Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 6 credits
• Natural Sciences (GN): 9 credits

Integrative Studies (may also complete a Knowledge Domain requirement)
• Inter-Domain or Approved Linked Courses: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements
First Year Engagement
All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement
6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements
• United States Cultures: 3 credits
• International Cultures: 3 credits
Writing Across the Curriculum
3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits
A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work
Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition
The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Program Learning Objectives
- **Content Knowledge**: Demonstrate knowledge of the fundamental concepts in RPTM including social & behavioral science theories and models used in RPTM, leadership, programming, facility design & management, evaluation, inclusion of diverse populations, marketing, and operations & strategic management.
- **Communication**: Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills.
- **Critical Thinking and Analytical Skills**: Apply critical thinking, analytical, and deductive reasoning skills to evaluate and synthesize information from diverse sources and to make appropriate decisions and/or take appropriate action.
- **Management**: Use appropriate leadership and management skills to design, implement, and evaluate an initiative.
- **Professionalism**: Demonstrate a consistent ability to work autonomously in a professional manner and manage complex ethical and professional issues in accordance with current professional and/or ethical codes of practice.

Academic Advising
The objectives of the university’s academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee’s unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/)

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### Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2022-23 academic year. To access previous years’ suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (Note: the archive only contains suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin).

#### Commercial Recreation and Tourism Option: Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management, B.S. at University Park Campus

The course series listed below provides only one of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an Academic Requirements or What If report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

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† Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
‡ Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

**Total Credits 120-121**

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University Requirements and General Education Notes:

- US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy University Requirements (United States and International Cultures).
- W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.
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- Integrative Studies courses are required for the General Education program. N is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate an Inter-Domain course and Z is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate a Linked course.

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2 BA 302 and BA 301 are suggested for Students pursing the Smeal Business certificate. These are extra classes, not part of PGA curriculum.
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  • Recreation/tourism management and marketing
  • Commercial recreation and tourism
  • Outdoor recreation and protected area management
  • Community recreation
  • General leisure behavior

Careers
A degree from RPTM is suited for you if you have career interests in supervisory and administrative positions in tourism & event management, entertainment, sport & fitness venue management, professional golf management, community recreation, non-profit administration, outdoor experiential leadership, park management, environmental interpretation, natural resource management and youth & senior recreation services.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES OF THE RECREATION, PARK, AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (https://hhd.psu.edu/rptm/undergraduate/career-opportunities/)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies
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Professional Resources
• Professional Golfers’ Association of America (https://pga.org)
• Kurt Hahn Consortium for Values and Experiential Learning (https://hhd.psu.edu/rptm/Kurt-Hahn-Consortium-for-Values-and-Experiential-Learning/)
• Denali National Park and Preserve (https://hhd.psu.edu/rptm/research/research-labs-and-initiatives/outdoor-recreation-protected-area-and-environmental-education-research-group/)
• Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center (https://www.shaverscreek.org/)
• National Park and Recreation Association (https://nrpa.org)
• Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society (https://prps.org)

Accreditation
Accredited by the Professional Golfers’ Association of America, the PGM option helps prepare students to manage golf facilities and programs within diverse settings including private, public, resort and military sectors. In addition, students may choose career paths related to marketing/sales of golf equipment and apparel, teaching and coaching, as well as tournament operations.


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