
The University of Tennessee at Martin

Park & Recreation Administration Concentration 2005-2006

Career Opportunities

The park and recreation administration curriculum is designed for students wishing to work in natural resources and with people who use these resources for recreational purposes. This program offers professional careers for students who recognize the value of parks and recreation in our everyday lives and the benefits of organized recreation programs. The park and recreation field offers a diversity of career possibilities, and the UT Martin curriculum prepares graduates capable in both park management and recreation management. The park and recreation administration curriculum is offered by the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences.

Employment Possibilities

Although competition is keen, students graduating from this program are competitive and prepared to enter professional careers with public agencies such as: National Park Service, Corps of Engineers, Armed Forces, Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, state parks, city (large and small), county and regional parks and recreational agencies. Employment with non-profit organizations such as church groups, scouting, boys' clubs, girls' clubs, and young men's and women's Christian associations, and zoos are also possibilities.

Students interested in pursuing a career with the private sector may seek employment with such organizations as Disney, Six Flags, Busch Gardens, Sea World, private zoological parks, travel agencies, private outfitters, private guide services, cruise operators, and concessionaires working on public land.

The park and recreation field is large and diversified. It is the policy of our staff to aid students in their efforts to find both seasonal and permanent employment.

Facilities

UT Martin has one of the most beautiful campuses in the state. It is comprised of 900 acres of land, which includes mature shade trees and floral gardens. Instruction is not limited to the campus. Numerous field trips are made to visit the wealth of natural resources and park and recreation organizations in the region. Reelfoot Lake State Park and Wildlife Refuge, Paris Landing State Resort Park, Natchez Trace State Park, the Land Between the Lakes Recreation Area, Shiloh National Military Park and Fort Donelson National Monument are just a few attractions in the area. The regional studies course has taken students on two-week treks as far as the Everglades, Gettysburg, Yellowstone and Grand Canyon national parks. Modern classrooms and laboratories and numerous computer facilities are also available for student use.

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Program of Study: Park and Recreation Administration Concentration, 2005-2006

This list includes all courses required; however, the sequence may be flexible.

Freshman Year

Fall

Biology 110: Introductory Cell Biology and Genetics . . .	4
English 111: English Composition	3
Math 140: College Algebra and Elementary Functions	3
Natural Resources Management 100: Introduction to Natural Resources Management	3
<u>Aesthetics Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	16

Spring

Biology 120: Introductory Plant and Animal Biology . . .	4
English 112: English Composition	3
Park and Recreation Administration 110: Park Management	3
<u>Social Dynamics Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	13

Sophomore Year

Fall

Agricultural Engineering Technology 220: Surveying and Soil and Water Engineering	3
Biology 331: General Ecology	3
Natural Resources Management 210: Mediating Environmental Conflicts	3
Park and Recreation Administration 100: Fundamentals of Park and Recreation Administration	3
<u>Global Dynamics Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	15

Spring

Chemistry 121: General Chemistry	4
Natural Resources Management 200: Interpretive Tours- Practicum	2
Park and Recreation Administration 200: Recreation Leadership and Programming	3
<u>Soil Science 210: Introduction to Soil Science</u>	<u>4</u>
Total Hours	13

Junior Year

Fall

Communication 230: Public Speaking	3
Natural Resources Management 390: Career Planning in Natural Resource Management	2
Park and Recreation Administration 300: Technological Applications in PRA	3
Plant Science 341: Dendrology and Forest Ecology . . .	3
<u>History Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	14

Spring

Geology 110: Physical Geology	4
Park and Recreation Administration 310: Recreation Area Design and Comprehensive Planning	3
Plant Science 321: Landscape Management	3
<u>Biology or Zoology Electives*</u>	<u>6</u>
Total Hours	16

Summer

Natural Resources Management 440: Regional Studies in Natural Resources Management	3
Park and Recreation Administration 410: Financing, Managing, and Marketing Rec. Services	3
<u>Park and Recreation Administration 430: Supervised Field Experience</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	9

Senior Year

Fall

Accounting 300: Accounting for Non-Business Students	3
Criminal Justice 200: Introduction to Criminal Justice . .	3
Park and Recreation Administration 400: Interpretation of Natural and Cultural Resources	3
<u>Global Dynamics Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	12

Spring

Global Dynamics Elective*	3
History Elective*	3
Social Dynamics Elective*	3
<u>Restricted Elective*</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Hours	12

*See catalog for options.