

OUTDOOR RECREATION MAJOR, BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

The Outdoor Recreation program qualifies individuals as outdoor leaders or resource managers for public and private organizations, including government agencies.

Notes:

- two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single college level foreign language is required;
- computer competency is required for the this major;
- a minimum grade ≥ 2.50 must be obtained in each required RCLS course (if a lower grade is received, the course must be retaken);
- a minimum cumulative GPA ≥ 2.50 shall be necessary in all upper- and lower-division required RCLS courses;
- a minimum cumulative GPA ≥ 2.50 shall be required for all university coursework; failure to comply with the above standards will jeopardize professional internship eligibility.

Required Core Courses

RCLS 201	RECREATION AND LEISURE IN MODERN SOCIETY	3
RCLS 220	LEADERSHIP IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	3
RCLS 240	OVERVIEW OF THERAPEUTIC RECREATION SERVICES	4
RCLS 270	DIVERSITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	3
RCLS 313	WILDLAND RECREATION MANAGEMENT	3
RCLS 325	OUTDOOR ADVENTURE PROGRAMMING	3
RCLS 360	FACILITY PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN	3
RCLS 385	PROGRAMMING IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	3
RCLS 400	LEGAL FOUNDATIONS IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	4
RCLS 425	EVALUATION, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	4
RCLS 435	EMPLOYMENT PROCESSES IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	2
RCLS 455	RESORT AND COMMERCIAL RECREATION MANAGEMENT	3
RCLS 470	ADMINISTRATION, ORGANIZATION AND SUPERVISION IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	4
RCLS 480	BUDGETING IN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES	4
RCLS 490	SENIOR CAPSTONE IN RECREATION	4

Required Supporting Courses

HLED 193	STANDARD FIRST AID AND SAFETY	2
RCLS 125	RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES ACTIVITIES	1

RCLS 206	WILDERNESS BACKPACKING	3
RCLS 305	WINTER CAMPING	3
RCLS 307	MOUNTAINEERING	3
RCLS 310	OUTDOOR RECREATION	3
RCLS 315	WILDERNESS SURVIVAL	3
RCLS 370	OUTDOOR RECREATION AQUATIC PROGRAMS	3
RCLS 410	OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP	4
RCLS 494	OUTDOOR REC PROF INTERNSHIP (majors must consult with their advisor)	12
Total Credits		87

For information on General Education, see Undergraduate Degree (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2015-2016/undergraduate-degree>) .

Student Learning Outcomes—students will

- demonstrate an ability to plan and lead a backcountry field trip;
- demonstrate essential skills in the areas of outdoor leadership, wilderness survival, backpacking, winter camping, mountaineering, and whitewater rafting;
- demonstrate the ability to perform in a variety of emergency situations including emergency response, wilderness first responder, and search and rescue management;
- demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills;
- demonstrate knowledge of and skill at research, problem solving, and critical thinking;
- demonstrate a working knowledge of technology and its various uses in the recreation profession;
- demonstrate an understanding of the history, breadth, depth, and complexity of the recreation and leisure services industry;
- demonstrate an awareness of diversity, equity, inclusion, and will demonstrate multi-cultural competence in recreation and leisure service delivery settings;
- demonstrate a working knowledge of the career and entrepreneurship opportunities available upon graduation.