

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION MANAGEMENT AND RECREATIONAL THERAPY

COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION,
HEALTH &
AVIATION



NATIONAL JOB OUTLOOK

RECREATION WORKER

Employment of recreational workers is projected to grow 9 percent from 2016 to 2026, about as fast as the average for all occupations.

MEETING, CONVENTION, AND EVENT PLANNER

Employment of meeting, convention, and event planners is projected to grow 10 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.

ARCHIVISTS, CURATORS AND MUSEUM WORKERS

Employment of archivists, curators, museum technicians, and conservators is projected to grow 13 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.

ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS OCCUPATIONS

Employment of entertainment and sports occupations is projected to grow 10 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Recreation Management prepares students for employment in a variety of settings such as municipal, commercial, and corporate recreation; state and national park services; YMCAs and YWCAs; and armed services recreation. Alumni work in a variety of settings and can emphasize management, campus recreation or outdoor pursuits. Recreation Management is a growing field and is a multibillion dollar industry. education.okstate.edu/rmtr

SAMPLE JOB TITLES

Activities Coordinator, Recreation Specialist, Recreation Supervisor, Park & Recreation Director, Recreation Coordinator, Special Events Coordinator, Campus Recreation Director, Crossfit Gym Owner, Director of YMCA, Agency Director, Youth Program Director, Senior Center Program Director, Recreational Sport Director, Camp Director, Park Operations Director, Golf Course Superintendent, Church Recreation Director, Military Recreation Director

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) certification is designed for the beginning to mid-level professional. Attaining the CPRP designation shows that you have met education and experience qualifications, and illustrates your commitment to the profession as well as your knowledge and understanding of key concepts within parks and recreation. nrpa.org/CPRP/

NATIONAL/ PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- ▶ American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance aahperd.org
- ▶ National Recreation and Parks Association nrpa.org
- ▶ National Intramural Recreational Sports Association nirsa.org
- ▶ Resort and Commercial Recreation Association rcra.org

OSU STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- ▶ EHA Student Council
- ▶ College of Education, Health & Aviation Ambassadors
- ▶ Recreation and Outdoors Club (R.O.C.)
- ▶ Recreation Majors Club

For more information about student organizations, visit campuslink.okstate.edu.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

I want to bring communities together through local parks and recreation events. Through these programs, I can improve community members' quality of life and strengthen communities. I want to work my way up to being a Director of Parks and Recreation for a city. This career field has plenty of jobs and lots of room for advancement.

–Nick Pond

What I want to do with a Recreation Management degree is have a program for children after school. This after school program would allow participants to come and have the opportunity to have one-on-one training in different areas of sports and arts. There would also be games and other activities for the participants. Another part of the field I would really enjoy is working at a resort designing and providing programmed activities for families who are at the resort. My other dream job would be to work for Disney World.

– Kara Williams

EDUCATION, HEALTH AND AVIATION LIVING LEARNING PROGRAM

The Education, Health and Aviation Living Learning Program (LLP) is a residential community for students with a declared major in the College of Education, Health and Aviation (EHA). Located on the 3rd floor of Village E, this LLP provides students with an opportunity to meet fellow EHA students, faculty and staff. A focus is placed on leadership development, resources/strategies for academic success, and personal growth. Community-building is paramount with a focus on creating meaningful relationships through genuine interactions. education.okstate.edu/llp

COURSE PREVIEW

- Program Design in Recreation Management Services
- Campus Recreation and Intramural Sports
- Leadership in Recreation
- Outdoor Education
- Recreation in the Natural Environment