

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION MANAGEMENT
AND THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

Option in

RECREATION MANAGEMENT

NATIONAL JOB OUTLOOK & WAGES

Employment of recreation workers is projected to grow 14 percent from 2012 to 2022, about as fast as the average for all occupations.

Median wages (2014) – entry level positions - \$10.88 hourly, \$22,620 annual

OKLAHOMA MEDIAN WAGES

2014 - \$22,100 annual

OSU POST-GRADUATION SURVEY

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Program Description

The Recreation Management program is accredited by the Council on Accreditation and sponsored by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). Those students completing the Recreation Management program are eligible to sit for the Certified Park and Recreation Professional certification through the NRPA.

The Recreation Management option 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. Recreation Management is a growing field and is a multi-billion dollar industry. Students work in a variety of settings and can emphasize management, campus recreation, or outdoor pursuits.

Entry Level Job Description

Conduct recreation activities with groups in public, private, or volunteer agencies or recreation facilities. Organize and promote activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, music, dramatics, social recreation, camping, and hobbies, taking into account the needs and interests of individual members.

Similar Occupations

Athletic Trainers and Exercise Physiologists	Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education
Coaches and Scouts	Psychologists
Directors, Religious Activities and Education	Recreational Therapists
Fitness Trainers and Instructors	Rehabilitation Counselors
Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners	Residential Advisors
Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Specialists	School and Career Counselors
	Social Workers



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

Sample Job Titles

Activities Assistant, Activities Coordinator, Activities Director, Activity Aide, Activity Assistant, Activity Director, Program Assistant, Recreation Assistant, Recreation Specialist, Recreation Supervisor

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/

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

College of Education Student Council

College of Education Student Ambassadors

Recreation and Outdoors Club (R.O.C.)

Recreation Majors Club

For more information about student organizations visit

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