NATIONAL JOB OUTLOOK & WAGES

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.

Median Wages (2016)
$23,870 annually

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.

Median Wages (2016)
$47,350 annually

OKLAHOMA MEDIAN WAGES

RECREATION WORKER
Median Wages (2016)
$24,900 annually

MEETING, CONVENTION, AND EVENT PLANNER
Median Wages (2016)
$47,180 annually

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.

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SAMPLE JOB TITLES

Activities Coordinator, Activities Director, Activity Director, Recreation Specialist, Recreation Supervisor, Park & Recreation Director, Park Ranger, 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 Ranger, 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/

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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/lhp

COURSE PREVIEW

- Program Design in Recreation Management Services
- Recreation Management Practicum I and II
- Entrepreneurial Recreation Management
- Outdoor Education
- Recreation in the Natural Environment

“In my experience there are too many people running programs because they got the easy outlined programming guide off the Internet. I think [Recreation Management] is so important to society, and I love being an outspoken advocate for leisure.”

Christopher “Bubba” Gaeddert,
Manager of Sports and Events, CVB