Minor in Outdoor Education and Leadership  
2020-2021

The Recreation and Leisure Services Program offers a 19-credit hour minor in Outdoor Education and Leadership. This minor is designed for students with career interests in outdoor leadership within a variety of settings. This minor is beneficial for students interested in personal and/or leadership development that is transferable to any field. Courses and field experiences are intended to provide an introductory and foundational set of skills and abilities required of assistant or entry-level roles in the delivery and oversight of outdoor education and adventure experiences.

The Outdoor Education and Leadership minor requires a minimum of 19 semester hours:

FOUNDATIONS (9 credit hours)
- RLS 3301 Theory and Practice of Outdoor Adventure Programs (Spring only)
- RLS 4301 Outdoor Education (Fall only)
- RLS 4331 Meaning, Culture and Philosophy of American Landscape (Spring Only)

CERTIFICATIONS/LEADERSHIP (10 credit hours from the following)
- RLS 2201 Adventure Recreation Leadership and Challenge Course Facilitation (Fall only)
- RLS 2202 Climbing Wall Certification
- RLS 3303 Outdoor Adventure Certifications
- RLS 4V13 Recreation and Leisure Services Field School
- RLS 3396 Field Laboratory in Leisure Services
- RLS 4V94 Internship in Leisure Services

Courses are organized around each of the competency areas outlined by the Accreditation Manual of the Wilderness Education Association which include: Outdoor Living, Education, Leadership, Environmental Integration, Planning & Logistics, and Risk Management

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