

# Parks and Outdoor Recreation Concentration (POR) 2021-2022

## Bachelor of Science Degree in Recreation Management

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- ❖ **Mason Core, 37 credits:** For current list of approved courses: [catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/](https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)
  - Written Communication - 3 Credits (**ENGH 101<sup>C</sup>**)
  - Written Communication - 3 Credits (**ENGH 302<sup>C</sup>**)
  - Oral Communication - 3 credits
  - Information Technology - 3 Credits
  - Quantitative Reasoning - 3 Credits (**STAT 250 or EDRS 220**)
  - Literature - 3 Credits
  - Arts - 3 Credits
  - Western Civilization - 3 Credits
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences - 3 Credits
  - Global Understanding - 3 Credits
  - Natural Science - 7 Credits (**one lab & one non-lab science**)
  
- ❖ **Recreation Management Core, 51 credits**
  - PRLS 210: Intro to Rec & Leisure
  - PRLS 241: Practicum
  - PRLS 310: Prog Planning & Evaluation
  - PRLS 316: Leadership and Outdoor Ed.
  - PRLS 317: Social Psyc of Play & Rec
  - PRLS 323: Program Leadership & Eval
  - PRLS 327: Foundations of TR
  - PRLS 405: Planning and Oper of Rec Facilities
  - PRLS 410: Admin of SRT Orgs I
  - TOUR 412 or SPMT 412: Marketing and Sales
  - PRLS 460: Sport and Recreation Law
  - PRLS 490: Rec Mgt Internship (**Capstone/Synthesis**)
  - SRST 200: Hist Sport & Leisure America
  - SRST 450: Research Methods (**Writing Intensive**)
  
- ❖ **Parks and Outdoor Recreation Concentration, 18 Credits**
  - PRLS 300: People with Nature
  - PRLS 302: Park Management and Operations
  - TOUR 340: Sustainable Tourism
  - PRLS 362: Cultural and Environmental Interpretation
  - PRLS 402: Human Behavior in Natural Environments
  - PRLS 501: Introduction to Natural Resources Law
  
- ❖ **General Electives, 14 credits (Suggested: PRLS 220 and RECR)**

**Total: 120 Credits**

**Suggested Academic Plan (to be supplemented by Mason Core and Electives)**

| Semester                       | Course  | Credits | Prerequisites  |
|--------------------------------|---|---------|--|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Year<br>Fall   | PRLS 210 Intro to Recreation & Leisure                              | 3       |  |
|                                | SRST 200 History of Sport & Leisure in America                      | 3       |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Year<br>Spring | TOUR 340 Sustainable Tourism  | 3       | <i>PRLS 210</i>  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year<br>Fall   | PRLS 300 People with Nature   | 3       |  |
|                                | PRLS 310 Program Planning & Evaluation                              | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or SRST 200</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 316 Leadership and Outdoor Education                           | 3       |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year<br>Spring | PRLS 241 Practicum  | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or PRLS 316</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 317 Social Psychology of Play & Recreation                     | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or SRST 200</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 327 Foundations of Therapeutic Recreation                      | 3       |  |
|                                | PRLS 323 Program Leadership & Evaluation                            | 3       | <i>PRLS 310</i>  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year<br>Fall   | PRLS 302 Park Management & Operations                               | 3       | <i>PRLS 300</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 405 Planning and Operations of Recreation Facilities           | 3       | <i>60 Credits</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 410 Admin of SRT Organizations I                               | 3       | <i>60 Credits</i>  |
|                                | Quantitative Reasoning  | 3       |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year<br>Spring | PRLS 402 Human Behavior in the Natural Environment                  | 3       | <i>PRLS 300</i>  |
|                                | ENGH 302 Advanced Composition – Social Science or Multidisciplinary | 3       | <i>45 credit recommend and Lower-level ENGH<sup>C</sup></i>              |
|                                | PRLS 460 Sport & Recreation Law                                     | 3       | <i>60 credits</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 362 Cultural & Environmental Interpretation                    | 3       |  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Year<br>Fall   | TOUR 412 or SPMT 412 Marketing and Sales                            | 3       | <i>PRLS 241</i>  |
|                                | PRLS 501 Intro to Natural Resources Law                             | 3       | <i>PRLS 460</i>  |
|                                | SRST 450 Research Methods – <b>Writing Intensive</b>                | 3       | <i>STAT 250<sup>C</sup> or EDRS 220<sup>C</sup> recommended ENGH 302</i> |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Year<br>Spring | PRLS 490 Recreation Management Internship - <b>Capstone</b>         | 12      | <i>All courses completed/ Mandatory Internship Meeting</i>               |

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### Suggested Transfer Academic Plan for Parks and Outdoor Recreation Concentration:

- Assumes all Mason Core requirements (except ENGH 302 and STAT 250) and electives have been met.
- If 14 credits of electives have not been acquired, they must supplement this plan.

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Fall   | PRLS 210 Intro to Recreation & Leisure                              | 3       |  |
|                             | SRST 200 History of Sport & Leisure in America                      | 3       |  |
|                             | TOUR 340 Sustainable Tourism  | 3       | <i>PRLS 210</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 300 People with Nature   | 3       |  |
|                             | PRLS 316 Leadership and Outdoor Education                           | 3       |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Spring | Quantitative Reasoning  | 3       |  |
|                             | PRLS 310 Program Planning & Evaluation                              | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or SRST 200</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 317 Social Psychology of Play & Rec                            | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or SRST 200</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 327 Foundations of Therapeutic Recreation                      | 3       |  |
|                             | PRLS 241 Practicum  | 3       | <i>PRLS 210 or PRLS 316</i>  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Summer | PRLS 410 Admin of SRT Organizations I                               | 3       | <i>60 Credits</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 460 Sport and Recreation Law                                   | 3       | <i>60 Credits</i>  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Fall   | PRLS 323 Program Leadership & Evaluation                            | 3       | <i>PRLS 310</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 302 Park Management & Operations                               | 3       | <i>PRLS 300</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 405 Planning and Operation of Rec Facilities                   | 3       | <i>60 Credits</i>  |
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|                             | PRLS 501 Intro to Natural Resources Law                             | 3       | <i>PRLS 460</i>  |
|                             | PRLS 362 Cultural & Environmental Interpretation                    | 3       |  |
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### Parks and Outdoor Recreation Advising Questions

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