

# Parks and Outdoor Recreation Concentration (POR) 2025-2026

## Bachelor of Science Degree in Recreation Management (RMGT)

- ❖ **Mason Core, 37 credits:** For current list of approved courses: [catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/](http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)
  - Written Communication - 3 Credits (**ENGH 101<sup>C</sup>**)
  - Literature - 3 Credits
  - Written Communication - 3 Credits (**ENGH 302<sup>C</sup>**)
  - Arts - 3 Credits
  - Oral Communication - 3 credits
  - Global History - 3 Credits (**HIST 125 or HIST 394**)
  - Information Technology - 3 Credits
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences - 3 Credits (**RMGT 210**)
  - Quantitative Reasoning - 3 Credits (**STAT 250<sup>C</sup> or EDRS 220<sup>C</sup> or BUS 210<sup>C</sup>**)
  - Global Contexts- 3 Credits
  - Natural Science - 7 Credits (**one lab & one non-lab science**)
  
- ❖ **Recreation Management Core, 51 credits**
  - RMGT 210: Recreation and Leisure in Life (**social/behavioral science**)
  - RMGT 327: Foundations of TR
  - SRTM 412 Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Marketing
  - RMGT 241: Practicum
  - RMGT 405: Planning/Operations of Rec Facilities
  - SPMT 462/RMGT 460: Sport Business Law/Sport and Recreation Law
  - RMGT 310: Prog Planning & Eval
  - RMGT 410: Admin of SRT Orgs
  - SRST 200: Hist Sport & Leisure America
  - RMGT 316: Leadership & Outdoor Ed.
  - RMGT 490: Rec Mgt Internship (**Apex**)
  - SRST 450: Research Methods (**Writing Intensive**)
  - RMGT 317: Social Psyc of Play & Rec
  - RMGT 501: Introduction to Natural Resources Law
  - RMGT 323: Prog Leadership & Eval
  
- ❖ **Parks and Outdoor Recreation Concentration, 18 Credits**
  - RMGT 300: People with Nature
  - RMGT 362: Cultural and Environmental Interpretation
  - RMGT 501: Introduction to Natural Resources Law
  - RMGT 302: Park Management and Operations
  - RMGT 402: Human Behavior in Natural Environments
  - TOUR 340: Sustainable Tourism
  
- ❖ **General Electives, 17 credits**  
 Relevant to student interests (e.g., RMGT 260, RMGT 470, EVPP, GGS, RECR, SRTM courses)

**Total: 120 Credits**

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

Semester	Course	Credits	Prerequisites
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 210 Recreation and Leisure in Life	3	
	SRST 200 History of Sport & Leisure in America	3	
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Spring	RMGT 317 Social Psychology of Play & Recreation	3	RMGT 210
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 300 People with Nature	3	
	RMGT 310 Program Planning & Evaluation	3	RMGT 210 or SRST 200
	RMGT 316 Leadership and Outdoor Education	3	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Spring	RMGT 241 Practicum	3	RMGT 210 or RMGT 316 or SRST 200
	RMGT 323 Program Leadership & Evaluation	3	RMGT 310
	RMGT 327 Foundations of Therapeutic Recreation	3	
	TOUR 340 Sustainable Tourism	3	RMGT 210
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 302 Park Management & Operations	3	RMGT 300
	RMGT 362 Cultural & Environmental Interpretation	3	
	RMGT 410 Administration of SRT Organizations	3	60 Credits
	STAT 250/EDRS 220/BUS 210 (C or higher required)	3	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Spring	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition – Social Science or Multidisciplinary recommended (C or higher required)	3	45 credits recommend, Lower-level ENGH <sup>C</sup> and Mason Core Literature
	RMGT 402 Human Behavior in the Natural Environment	3	RMGT 300
	SPMT 462/RMGT 460 Sport Business Law/Sport and Recreation Law	3	60 credits
4 <sup>th</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 405 Planning and Operations of Recreation Facilities	3	60 Credits
	SRTM 412 Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Marketing	3	RMGT 241
	SRST 450 Research Methods	3	STAT 250 <sup>C</sup> or EDRS 220 <sup>C</sup> or BUS 210 <sup>C</sup> recommended ENGH 302 <sup>C</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> Year Spring	RMGT 490 Recreation Management Internship	12	All courses completed/Mandatory Internship Meeting
	RMGT 501 Introduction to Natural Resources Law	3	SPMT 462/RMGT 460

**Academic Requirements:** 120 total credits; 45 upper-level credit hours; 30 hours (12 upper-level) GMU residency requirement; completion of Mason Core courses; GPA of at least 2.0. Accredited by The Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, Tourism and Related Professions (COAPRT)

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

- Assumes all Mason Core requirements (except ENGH 302 and Quantitative Reasoning) and electives have been met.
- If 17 credits of electives have not been acquired, they must supplement this plan.

Semester	Course	Credits	Prerequisites
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 210 Recreation and Leisure in Life	3	
	RMGT 300 People with Nature	3	
	RMGT 316 Leadership and Outdoor Education	3	
	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition – Social Science or Multidisciplinary recommended (C or higher required)	3	45 credits recommend and Lower-level ENGH <sup>C</sup> and Mason Core Literature
	STAT 250/EDRS 220/BUS 210 (C or higher required)	3	
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Spring	RMGT 241 Practicum	3	RMGT 210 or RMGT 316 or SRST 200
	RMGT 317 Social Psychology of Play & Recreation	3	RMGT 210
	RMGT 327 Foundations of Therapeutic Recreation	3	
	SRST 200 History of Sport & Leisure in America	3	
	TOUR 340 Sustainable Tourism	3	RMGT 210
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Summer	RMGT 410 Administration of SRT Organizations	3	60 Credits
	SPMT 462/RMGT 460 Sport Business Law/Sport and Recreation Law	3	60 Credits
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Fall	RMGT 302 Park Management & Operations	3	RMGT 300
	RMGT 310 Program Planning & Evaluation	3	RMGT 210 or SRST 200
	RMGT 362 Cultural & Environmental Interpretation	3	
	RMGT 405 Planning and Operation of Recreation Facilities	3	60 Credits
	SRTM 412 Sport, Recreation, and Tourism Marketing	3	60 Credits, RMGT 241
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Spring	RMGT 323 Program Leadership & Evaluation	3	RMGT 310
	RMGT 402 Human Behavior in the Natural Environment	3	RMGT 300
	RMGT 501 Introduction to Natural Resources Law	3	SPMT 462/RMGT 460
	SRST 450 Research Methods	3	STAT 250 <sup>C</sup> or EDRS 220 <sup>C</sup> or BUS 210 <sup>C</sup> recommended ENGH 302 <sup>C</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Summer	RMGT 490 Recreation Management Internship	12	All courses completed/Mandatory Internship Meeting

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### Parks and Outdoor Recreation Advising Questions

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