

# PARKS AND RECREATION, BS

## Program Description

The bachelor of science degree in parks and recreation combines an associates degree in natural resources technology with additional course work relative to human resource management in the outdoor environment. Many jobs can be found in the public, private and commercial settings.

A one-semester internship is required for this degree.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- **Land Management Policy** – The student will be able to discuss and explain the history and derivation of the policies, practice and protocols specific to recreation, of the federal agencies which manage landmasses for recreation either as a primary or secondary function.
- **Research** – Graduates demonstrate professional competence and expertise through completion of an original research study, including a written a senior research thesis and poster presentation.
- **Statistics** – The graduate will be able to apply statistical procedures and analysis to concepts and issues in the field of Park and Recreation Management.
- **Recreation Planning** – The graduate will demonstrate proficiency and competence in planning recreational activities in a variety of settings.
- **Facility Management and Outdoor/Adventure Education Leadership** – The graduate will demonstrate leadership qualities, skills and competencies through the development of outdoor educational activities and programming.

## Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Program Requirements</b>		
RECS 101	Int Recreation/Leisure Service	3
RECS 262	Outdoor Recreation	3
RECS 295	Practicum	1
RECS 360	Facilitation & Interpretation	3
RECS 362	Land Mgmt Recreation Purposes	3
RECS 365	Expedition Management	3
RECS 390	Rec Leader Apprenticeship	1
RECS 397	Rec Studies Jr Research Sem	1
RECS 435	Research Rec/Leisure Sciences	3
RECS 437	Rec Studies Sr Res Seminar	1
RECS 492	Internship	6
<b>Cognate Requirements</b>		
ACTG 132	Principles of Accounting I	4
BIOL 132	General Biology: Organisms	4
BUSN 231	Business Communications	3
EVRN 131	Introduction to GIS and GPS	3
EVRN 225	Intermediate GIS	3
FIRE 102	Wildland/Rural Fire Control	3
MATH 111	College Algebra	3
MGMT 365	Human Resource Management	3
NRES 107	Fld Bio Fish Wildlife Ecol/Iden	3

NRES 203	Fund of Natural Resources	3
NRES 230	Introduction to Soil Science	4
NRES 284	Principles Forest Conservation	4
NRES 286	Principles of Watersheds	3
NSCI 103	Environmental Science	3
NSCI 104	Environmental Science Lab	1
PSYC 101	Intro to Psychological Science	3
PSYC 210	Statistics	3
SOWK 480	Grantwriting	3
GEOL 121	Physical Geology	4
or NSCI 102	Gr Lakes Region: Geology & Res	
CHEM 108	Applied Chemistry	4-5
& CHEM 109	and Applied Chemistry Lab	
or CHEM 115	General Chemistry I	
EMED 188	Wilderness First Responder	2-3
or EMED 189	Medical First Responder	

**Total Hours** **94-96**

**General Education:** All LSSU bachelor's degree candidates must complete the LSSU General Education Requirements.

**A minimum of 125 credits (at the 100 level or higher) must be earned for graduation with a cumulative gpa of 2.00 or higher. A gpa of 2.00 or higher is also required in your Major, as well as in your General Education Requirements.**