

OUTDOOR RECREATION AND EXPERIENTIAL LEADERSHIP UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Banner Code: E1-CERB-OREL

Academic Advising

Website: rht.gmu.edu/certificate-in-outdoor-recreation-and-experiential-leadership/

This certificate provides students who are pursuing or have previously earned an undergraduate degree the opportunity to develop specialized skills unique to a variety of outdoor adventure and experiential activities, such as backpacking, rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, and challenge-course facilitation. Coursework focuses on the acquisition of technical skills and application of theory-to-experiential learning in an outdoor recreation curriculum. The certificate provides options to attain certification as low and high element facilitators and Wilderness First Responders. Students completing the certificate requirements will be fully prepared to work as challenge course facilitators, work as instructors at Outdoor Education/Adventure Education organizations, and effectively integrate outdoor experiential programs with existing educational curricula.

This undergraduate certificate may be pursued on a part-time basis.

RECR 134	Rock Climbing: Introduction
RECR 121	Backpacking: Introduction
RECR 126	White-water Kayaking: Introduction
RECR 127	Coastal Kayaking: Intro
PRLS 180	White-water Canoeing
PRLS 181	White-water Canoeing II
PRLS 200	Wilderness First Responder
PRLS 250	Wilderness Travel and Sustainability
PRLS 480	Special Topics in Recreation Management
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Total Credits	8

Admissions & Policies

Policies

A completed undergraduate certificate may be posted to the transcript only after completion of a bachelor's degree. If applying after earning a bachelor's degree, transcripts from all attended universities must be submitted.

For policies governing all undergraduate certificates, see AP.5.3.5 Undergraduate Certificate Policies.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 25

Coursework

INTS 204	Leadership Theory and Practice	3
RECR 122	Exploring Outdoor Adventure	2
PRLS 210	Introduction to Recreation and Leisure	3
PRLS 220	Experiential Education Theory and Application	3
PRLS 221	Challenge Course Facilitation	3
PRLS 316	Leadership and Outdoor Education	3
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Total Credits		17

Electives

Select 8 credits from the following: 8

INTS 195	Field-Based Work (max of 1 credit)
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