Parks, Recreation and Sport

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Parks, Recreation and Sport is among the oldest nationally accredited programs in the United States. Emphasis areas include: Recreation Administration, Natural Resource Recreation Management, Tourism Development, and Sport Management. The program integrates classroom learning with applied research and internship experiences and is a leader in technology infusion.

All students are required to complete an internship placement, normally taken during the last year of study and after completing all core courses. The semester-long internship is with an on or off-campus agency or organization chosen by the student and faculty. Regional, national and international internship placements are possible. Students may receive direct financial assistance from the agency or organization during the internship. Internships outside the state of Missouri require a 2.5 GPA.

The program offers BS in Parks, Recreation and Sport and MS in Natural Resources.

Admission

It is possible for students who have a broad, liberal education to transfer into the department without a significant time penalty toward graduation. CLEP credits are accepted and evaluated on an individual basis. Minimum GPA of 2.0 required.

Faculty

Associate Professor M. Morgan**, S. A. Wilhelm-Stanis**
Assistant Professor J. Li*
Associate Teaching Professor D. R. Vaught*
Assistant Teaching Professor D. Massengale, J. R. Upah*, J. Wartella
Adjunct Professor D. Eiken*
Director of Internships J. R. Upah*

* Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.
** Doctoral Faculty Member - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

Undergraduate

• BS in Parks, Recreation and Sport (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofagriculturefoodandnaturalresources/parksrecreationandsport/bs-parks-recreation-sport-emphasis-recreation-admin)
• with emphasis in Sport Management (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofagriculturefoodandnaturalresources/parksrecreationandsport/bs-parks-recreation-sport-emphasis-sport-management)
• with emphasis in Tourism Development (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofagriculturefoodandnaturalresources/parksrecreationandsport/bs-parks-recreation-sport-emphasis-tourism-development)

Students pursuing a degree in Parks, Recreation and Sport choose between four emphasis areas. The Natural Resources Recreation Management emphasis focuses on the combination of natural and social sciences, and the management of people and natural resources in parks, forests, refuges, and reservoirs. The Recreation Administration emphasis prepares students to work within a wide variety of public and private entities to oversee management, events, operations, and finance.

The Sport Management emphasis is designed to provide students with the professional preparation, managerial skills, and leadership training required for an array of careers in the sport industry. The Tourism Development emphasis focuses on planning and management associated with tourism venues, enterprises and events.

Honors

Students who graduate with the following cumulative GPA values are awarded the baccalaureate degree accordingly:

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Director's List

Students achieving a GPA of 3.5 or greater and having a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater will be placed on the Director's list as acknowledgement of high scholastic achievement.

Graduate

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Parks, Recreation and Tourism's graduate program is housed under the MS in Natural Resources with emphasis in Parks, Recreation and Tourism (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/collegeofagriculturefoodandnaturalresources/naturalresources/ms-parks-recreation-tourism). Please visit their page for more information.

Director of Graduate Studies: Dr. Sonja Wilhelm Stanis

About Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Since virtually everyone participates in some form of leisure, the primary benefit of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) is to address quality of life issues. The unique interaction of people, places, and activities establish our profession as one of the world's largest industries. Students learn how to manage service delivery systems by combining theory with practice.
Career Preparation

The purpose of graduate study is to promote research and scholarship as the foundation of professional excellence, thus preparing candidates for management-level positions or admission to doctoral programs.

**PRST 1010: Introduction to Leisure Studies**  
History of recreation and leisure movement; theories and philosophies of play, recreation and leisure. Developmental stages of leisure services to contemporary status.  
**Credit Hours:** 3

**PRST 1011: Academic Planning and Career Orientation in Parks, Recreation and Tourism**  
Orientation to the field and analysis of career opportunities in leisure services. Academic planning leading to B.S. in parks, recreation and tourism. Graded on S/U basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 1080: Introduction to Sport Management**  
This course will examine the meaning of sport management in terms of its history, scope, principles, issues and future trends. In addition, this course examines the job responsibilities and competencies required of sport managers in a variety of sport organizations. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 1081: Sport Facility Design**  
This course will investigate the functions of management in terms of design, implementation, operating and financing public assembly facilities in order to help sell the sport product. Venues such as public and private arenas, coliseums and stadiums will be studied. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2080: Global Sport Environments**  
This course will provide an overview of organization and management of domestic and international sport, including the Olympic movement and examination of the globalization of U.S. professional sports. The course will also look into facility design and technology used in sports environment. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2082: Domestic and International Sports Environment**  
This course will provide an overview of organization and management of domestic and international sport, including the Olympic movement and examination of the globalization of U.S. profession sports. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1080  
**Corequisites:** PRST 1081, PRST 2083

**PRST 2083: Technological Advancement in Sport**  
This course will teach students how to solve sports technology problems they will face in their future career, plus develop computer aided design and manufacturing skills. They will also gain skills in team work, communication and presentation, IT, research and project management. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1080  
**Corequisites:** PRST 1081, PRST 2083

**PRST 2084: Recreational Shooting Sports**  
This course provides introductory instruction and hands-on shooting with an introduction to shooting range management. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2101: Topics in Parks, Recreation, Sports and Tourism**  
Specialized topic content in parks, recreation and tourism programs, management and/or development. Subject content and credit may vary by semester based on faculty resources and student needs. Offered periodically.  
**Credit Hours:** 1-3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2104: Recreational Shooting Sports**  
This course provides introductory instruction and hands-on shooting with an introduction to shooting range management. Graded on A-F basis only.  
**Credit Hour:** 1  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2107: Aquatics Science**  
A scientific perspective on water chemistry, preventive maintenance of aquatic facilities with an emphasis on the newest safety and engineering design information and construction techniques.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2111: Introduction to Planning and Evaluating Leisure Environments**  
Presentation of basic planning principles. Evaluation of existing areas and facilities based upon planning guidelines. Consideration of park plans, standards, terminology, map preparation and evaluation.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011

**PRST 2117W: Topics in Parks, Recreation, Sports and Tourism - Writing Intensive**  
Specialized topic content in parks, recreation and tourism programs, management and/or development. Subject content and credit may vary by semester based on faculty resources and student needs. Offered periodically.  
**Credit Hours:** 1-3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** PRST 1011
PRST 2281: The Business of Sport
This course focuses on the business side of sport management, considering issues of marketing, sponsorship, and sales. Students will also be presented with actual models relevant to working in sales in the competitive sport environment. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: Some sections may require PRST 1011
Prerequisites: some sections may be restricted to Parks, Recreation, and Tourism majors with Sport Management emphasis or instructor consent

PRST 2355: Private and Commercial Recreation Principles and Practice
Considers principles, practices, influences in public/private leisure services; influence of tourism/travel on public/private recreation services.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011

PRST 2711: Experience Internship
This course is designed as an independent study for students to gain professional experience. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: PRST 1011 and PRST 1010

PRST 2750: Methods in Research and Evaluation
An overview of social research methods, including terms, human and scientific inquiry, ethical behavior, literature review, sampling, questionnaire construction, types of data collection, statistical analysis, and reporting of results. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: PRST 1011

PRST 3101: Topics in Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Organized study of selected topics in parks, recreation and tourism. Subjects may vary from semester to semester.

Credit Hour: 1-3

PRST 3185: Sports Economics and Finance
This course focuses on the economic and financial issues within the sport industry. The class will help students understand basic and complex concepts within economics and finance in a sport context, and to grasp the importance of financial and economic decision making. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation, and Tourism majors with Sport Management emphasis or instructor consent

PRST 3185H: Sports Economics and Finance - Honors
This course focuses on the economic and financial issues within the sport industry. The class will help students understand basic and complex concepts within economics and finance in a sport context, and to grasp the importance of financial and economic decision making. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation, and Tourism majors with Sport Management emphasis or instructor consent. Honors eligibility required

PRST 3189: Pre-Internship Seminar in Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism
The course is designed to prepare students for PRST 4940. Emphasis is placed on students' responsibilities prior to enrollment in PRST 4940, selecting internship sites and completing internship requirements.

Credit Hour: 1
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism students only

PRST 3210: Personnel Management and Leadership in Leisure Services
Considers theories and practices of leadership and management in leisure services employment. Topic presentation in relationships, attitudes, supervision, motivation and group functioning.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism majors

PRST 3210W: Personnel Management and Leadership in Leisure Services - Writing Intensive
Considers theories and practices of leadership and management in leisure services employment. Topic presentation in relationships, attitudes, supervision, motivation and group functioning. Prerequisites: P_R_TR 1011; restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism majors

Credit Hours: 3

PRST 3215: Program Development in Leisure Services
Fundamental principles and techniques of program development; seasonal, year round, specialty areas and total agency program planning.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011, or instructor's consent; restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism majors

PRST 3220: Introduction to Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities
Principles, concepts and historical development of recreation for individuals with disabilities. Explanation of attitudes, issues, practice and barriers related to recreation participation. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011

PRST 3230: Introduction to Parks and Outdoor Recreation Services
An overview of parks and outdoor recreation, natural environment, supply-demand-need relationships, interpretative programming, management philosophies/practices will be studied.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent
Recommended: PRST 1011
PRST 3230W: Introduction to Parks and Outdoor Recreation Services - Writing Intensive
An overview of parks and outdoor recreation, natural environment, supply-demand-need relationships, interpretative programming, management philosophies/practices will be studied.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent
Recommended: PRST 1011

PRST 3231: Principles of Interpretive Outdoor Recreation
Interpretive principles and techniques employed to communicate values, natural history and cultural features to the recreation user.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent
Recommended: PRST 1011

PRST 3282: Governance and Policy in Sport and Leisure
This course serves as a comprehensive study in examining how leisure organizations address fundamental issues of governance and policy. Through careful use of policy and understanding of governance, organizations often form strategies in their attempts to gain an advantage. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation, and Tourism majors with Sport Management emphasis

PRST 4101: Topics in Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Organized study of selected topics in parks, recreation and tourism. Subjects may vary from semester to semester.
Credit Hour: 1-3

PRST 4208: Administration of Leisure Services
(cross-leveled with PRST 7208). Theoretical foundations of the organization and administration of leisure services in both community and institutional settings. Emphasis on the roles of the administrator.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism majors

PRST 4333: Park Management
Basic principles, practices and problems involved in managing public park systems. Consideration given to local, district, county, state, federal and foreign park systems.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation and Tourism majors

PRST 4340: Advanced Recreation Land Management
(cross-leveled with PRST 7340). Advanced study of problems facing forest recreation managers. Topics include rivers recreation, wilderness management and citizen participation in decision making. Offered periodically.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent
Recommended: PRST 1011

PRST 4350: Problems in Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism
Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; departmental consent

PRST 4357: Tourism Planning and Development
(cross-leveled with PRST 7357). Nature and scope of tourism planning at the local, regional, and national levels; economic social, environmental, and policy considerations. Comparative study of initiating, planning and implementing tourism and the organization of community resources for developing and controlling a tourism industry.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011 and PRST 4356

PRST 4358: Legal Aspects of Sport
This course studies the U. S. legal system, its structure and terminology. Legal aspects of contract law, statutory law, constitutional law, intellectual property, torts, negligence, and risk management in sport will be examined. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; Restricted to Parks, Recreation, and Tourism majors with Sports Management emphasis or instructor consent

PRST 4940: Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism Internship
Supervised professional experience with an approved organization. Course entails weekly reports, case studies, agency evaluations and a special project related to the student's curricular emphasis. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 12
Prerequisites: PRST 1011 and PRST 3189, PRST majors only, instructor's consent

PRST 4949: Western Canada Study Abroad
This course provides students an educational opportunity to explore Western Canada. Students analyze natural resource management, customer and visitor relations, community relations, cultural entrepreneurship, and transportation networks with US and Canadian Management methods.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PRST 1011; instructor's consent

PRST 7208: Administration of Leisure Services
(cross-leveled with PRST 4208). Theoretical foundations of the organization and administration of leisure services in both community and institutional settings. Emphasis on the roles of the administrator.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 7333: Park and Sport Management and Maintenance
(cross-leveled with PRST 4333). Basic principles, practices and problems associated with the maintenance management of public parks including green space, aquatic facilities, sports fields, outdoor park facilities and buildings. Additional focus on necessary maintenance personnel management, equipment management and management of volunteers within a park system or sports facility.
Credit Hours: 3
PRST 7340: Advanced Recreation Land Management
(cross-leveled with PRST 4340). Advanced study of problems facing forest recreation managers. Topics include rivers recreation, wilderness management and citizen participation in decision making. Offered periodically.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 7357: Tourism Planning and Development
(cross-leveled with PRST 4357). Nature and scope of tourism planning at the local, regional, and national levels; economic social, environmental, and policy considerations. Comparative study of initiating, planning and implementing tourism and the organization of community resources for developing and controlling a tourism industry.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: P_R_TR 7356

PRST 7960: Guided Reading in Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism
Selected reading in parks, recreation, sport and tourism identified to fulfill a graduate student's academic needs or specialized interests.
Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

PRST 8080: Foundations of Sport
This course focuses on the business side of sport management, primarily considering issues of marketing, sponsorship, and sales. In this, students will not only supplement knowledge of these concepts, but also be presented with actual models relevant to working in sales in the competitive sport environment. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8089: Research Project
Individual research on approved project. Involves creativity and scholarly inquiry where product does not adhere to the traditional thesis format. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-99
Prerequisites: Parks, Recreation and Tourism graduate major

PRST 8090: Thesis Research in Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism
Research leading to thesis in field of parks, recreation and tourism. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-6
Prerequisites: Parks, Recreation and Tourism graduate major

PRST 8400: Constructs of Leisure
Review analysis and implications of fundamental psycho-social determinants of leisure behavior. Application theories of determinants to existing and proposed leisure service systems.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8401: Topics in Recreation and Park Administration
Specialized topics in recreation and park administration dynamics. Subjects and credits vary by semester based on available faculty resources and expertise. Course content announced in advance.
Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

PRST 8411: Independent Work in Parks, Recreation, Sport and Tourism
Independent research or special projects in parks, recreation, sport and tourism.
Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

PRST 8430: Research Methods in Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Analysis of basic research methodology. Review and analysis of research work completed in recreation, park and leisure field.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8436: Visitor Behavior and Policy
Course presents issues, concerns and policies dealing with multi-management/planning/operations of outdoor resource based recreation. Such issues as energy, economics, social/ political, pollution and user characteristics will be studied.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8450: Administration in Leisure Service Delivery
Review, analysis and synthesis of administrative functions as related to public and private recreation and leisure service enterprises.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8460: Financial Operations in Leisure Service Delivery
Review and critical analysis of financial functions, strategies and methodology as related to public and private recreation and leisure service enterprises.
Credit Hours: 3

PRST 8940: Internship in Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Supervised student practice in recreation, park or related settings under qualified instructor.
Credit Hour: 1-6
Prerequisites: Parks, Recreation and Tourism graduate major