

Park and Natural Resource Management Minor

An *18 credit hour* minor in Park and Natural Resource Management provides a broad orientation of the following:

Management of natural and cultural resources associated with conserving parks and other protected areas. Land managers and related professionals integrate concepts in the bio-environmental sciences, social and behavioral sciences, and policy and administrative decision-making. Necessary skills include geographic information systems, impact assessment methodology, and heritage and natural resources planning techniques. Students with an emphasis in this field look forward to careers with both public and private employers in the recreation, park, and tourism fields, including state and federal agencies and private enterprises, non-profit organizations, youth camps, and environmental education programs.

Course Requirements

RPTS 201 – Foundation of Recreation, Parks and Tourism [3]

RPTS 301 – Leisure and Outdoor Recreation in American Culture [3]

RPTS 307 – Methods of Environmental Interpretation [3] (*Spring Only*)

RPTS 316 – Recreational Management of Wildlands [3]

RPTS 460 – Nature, Values and Protected Areas [3] (*Fall Only*)

RENR 375* – Conservation of Natural Resources [3] (*Online Only*)

*If you do not wish to take an online course see RPTS Academic Advisor for course substitutions

Note: RPTS 484 – Internship is available for minors above and beyond the required 18 hours.