RECREATION, SPORT, AND TOURISM (RST)

RST Class Schedule (https://courses.illinois.edu/schedule/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/RST)

Courses

RST 100  RST in Modern Society  credit: 3 Hours.
Central issues in defining leisure; historical, philosophical, sociological, psychological, and economic approaches to understanding leisure behavior, its meanings, social contexts, and personal and social resources.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Social Beh Sci - Soc Sci

RST 101  Orientation to RST  credit: 1 Hour.
Introduction to Recreation, Sport and Tourism which provides an overview of the RST curriculum, areas of study, and opportunities available for a career in the field.

RST 110  Service Delivery in RST  credit: 2 Hours.
Introduces students to the concepts, principles, and practices related to the provision of leisure services; description of the various fields of professional practices and basic elements of leisure service systems such as budgeting, planning, staffing, and characteristics of client populations.

RST 120  Foundations of Recreation  credit: 3 Hours.
Examines historical and philosophical foundations of various organizations responsible for providing recreation opportunities and services. Program planning, evaluation, and marketing and financing strategies are examined in the public, not-for-profit and private recreation delivery systems.

RST 130  Foundations of Sport Mgt  credit: 3 Hours.
Examines career opportunities within the sport industry and provides knowledge relevant to the management, marketing, legal, and financial operations of sport organizations. Incorporates applications in a variety of sport entities including intercollegiate athletics, campus recreation, event and facility management, professional sport, management and marketing agencies, and international sport.

RST 140  Nature and Wilderness  credit: 2 Hours.
Origins of the nature and wilderness preservation movements; philosophy behind nature conservation and outdoor activities; role of parks, outdoor recreation, and nature-tourism in contemporary life.

RST 150  Foundations of Tourism  credit: 3 Hours.
Survey of travel and tourism with emphasis upon tourist behavior, motivations, preferences, decision-making, attractions, transportation services, facilities and information sources. Examines travel and tourism as an element of leisure service delivery from an interdisciplinary perspective.

RST 199  Undergraduate Open Seminar  credit: 1 to 5 Hours.
Covering various topics for undergraduates in Recreation, Sport & Tourism. Additional fees may apply. See Class Schedule. Approved for Letter and S/U grading. May be repeated.

RST 200  Leadership in RST  credit: 2 Hours.
Leadership theories and practices as related to design and delivery of leisure programs. Processes of group development and interpersonal communication in leisure service organizations.

RST 216  Leisure and Technology  credit: 3 Hours.
Focuses on the roles of technology in leisure and related industries and explores the impact of technology on leisure from both the consumer and producer perspectives. Reviews important technologies, discusses their use as transformative mechanisms, and considers their impact on leisure activities in society.

RST 217  Public Recreation  credit: 3 Hours.
Course examines the public sector and its role in the provision of local park and recreation services. Students will explore its philosophical foundations, organizational structure, policy-making process, and the administrative tasks of public recreation providers.

RST 218  Entrepreneurship  credit: 3 Hours.
In-depth study of the delivery of leisure services in the for-profit sector. Covers the scope and administrative functions of recreation enterprises, including an analysis of planning, controlling, and developing recreation enterprises.

RST 224  Politics of the National Parks  credit: 2 or 3 Hours.
Same as PS 224. See PS 224.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Social Beh Sci - Soc Sci

RST 225  Environmental Politics & Policy  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as PS 225. See PS 225.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Social Beh Sci - Soc Sci

RST 230  Diversity in Recreation, Sport, and Tourism  credit: 3 Hours.
Course is designed to increase awareness and knowledge of the needs of members of ethnic and racial minorities, people of lower socio-economic status, women, older adults, people of alternative lifestyles, and people with disabilities when it comes to recreation, sport, and tourism services. It introduces students to concepts and factors that influence the delivery of recreation, sport, and tourism services to diverse populations. Same as HDFS 263 and KIN 230.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Cultural Studies - US Minority

RST 242  Nature and American Culture  credit: 3 Hours.
Appreciation and critique of cultural meanings associated with American natural landscapes. Traditional perspectives including colonial American, romantic, and science-based conservation are characterized, as well as revisionist themes aligned with gender, cultural pluralism, and societal meanings of parks and protected areas. Implications of diversity in cultural meanings toward nature are developed and provide the basis for assessing tenets of contemporary environmental policy and supporting concepts associated with community-based conservation. Same as HIST 282, LA 242, and NRES 242.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Cultural Studies - Western

RST 255  Ethical Issues in RST  credit: 2 Hours.
Explores ethical issues related to government, recreational sport, sport tourism and travel, journalism and media, education, coaching, and business. Students become familiar with concepts and principles of applied ethics and gain insight in to the complexity of ethical issues in recreation, sport and tourism.

RST 300  Leisure Programming  credit: 3 Hours.
Develops understanding of the process of leisure/recreation programming and the practical aspects of program design and delivery. Prerequisite: RST 100.

RST 312  Discovery, Tourism and Travel  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as HIST 315. See HIST 315.

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RST 314 Introduction to Aging  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as CHLH 314, HDFS 314, PSYC 314, and REHB 314. See CHLH 314.

RST 316 Leisure and Human Development  credit: 3 Hours.
Examines changes in expressive style and behavior over the life course, and the interaction of leisure with developmental processes. Prerequisite: RST 100 or consent of instructor.

RST 325 Leisure Services Marketing  credit: 3 Hours.
Application of marketing concepts to the delivery of leisure services. Introduces consumer decision theory analysis. Provides an integrative study of the methods and models for developing and evaluating alternative marketing strategies.

RST 335 Leisure and Consumer Culture  credit: 3 Hours.
Examination of contemporary patterns and meanings of leisure in a consumer society. Understanding of the impact of consumption on expressions of identity, gender, social class, race and ethnicity. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Social Beh Sci - Soc Sci
Cultural Studies - Western

RST 340 Facility Management in RST  credit: 3 Hours.
Basic understanding of park operations, facility design, construction, and maintenance practices; staff allocations, job analysis, contract administration, organizational structures. Prerequisite: RST 100 and RST 110.

RST 341 Community Recreation Planning  credit: 3 Hours.
Studies the outdoor recreational use of lands in the public domain and their planning, concepts, and processes related to planning resource based systems; multiple-use in planning; planning criteria for outdoor recreation facilities. Additional fees may apply. See Class Schedule. Prerequisite: Junior standing; or consent of instructor.

RST 346 Case Study: Endless Summer  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as KIN 346 and MACS 346. See KIN 346.

RST 350 Tourism and Culture  credit: 3 Hours.
Studies the relationships that exist between tourists, hosts, their respective culture(s), and the cultural environments in which they interact. Studies tourism and its impacts across cultural boundaries, as well as concepts of cultural authenticity, modernity, image creation, social justice, diversity, and representation of social, racial and ethnic groups. Field trip required. Additional fees may apply. See Class Schedule. Prerequisite: Junior or Senior standing.

RST 354 Legal Aspects of Sport  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
A study of legal principles and their impact on the sport industry; the course examines the application of different areas of law including tort, contract, constitutional, anti-trust, and intellectual property law to professional, amateur and recreational sport.

RST 357 Technology & Sport  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as HIST 343. See HIST 343.

RST 365 Civic Engagement in Wellness  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AHS 365, CHLH 365, KIN 365, and SHS 370. See KIN 365.

RST 370 Research Methods & Analysis  credit: 3 Hours.
Educates students in principles of research design, data collection, measurement, methods of statistical analysis, techniques in summarizing data, and the interpretation and application of research findings to the field of Leisure Studies. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Quantitative Reasoning II

RST 390 Honors  credit: 2 Hours.
Same as CHLH 390 and KIN 390. See KIN 390.

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RST 502 Critical Issues Recreation Mgt credit: 4 Hours.
In-depth study of the public administrative functions in large complex organizational structures; development of an understanding of change and evolution in leisure service agencies as related to the internal and external environments; study of various management styles and situations in leisure service agencies. Same as NRES 504. 4 graduate hours. No professional credit. Prerequisite: Basic course in administration or organization of leisure service agencies.

RST 503 Adv Leisure Research Methods credit: 4 Hours.
Examines methods and techniques of conducting and evaluating leisure research; experimental and survey designs and procedures; data collection, reduction and analysis. Prerequisite: RST 100 or equivalent; RST 370 or equivalent; a course in introductory statistics.

RST 512 Managing Recreation, Sport & Tourism Organizations credit: 4 Hours.
Examines theoretical and technical principles of personnel managers in leisure service agencies; recruitment, training, selection, and evaluation of personnel with special emphasis on applied measurement concepts and legislation related to personnel administration in leisure services. Prerequisite: RST 410 or consent of instructor.

RST 515 Marketing in RST credit: 4 Hours.
Examines quality service issues and service strategies needed to attain competitive advantage across leisure industries. Using a customer-focused management framework, the course focuses on customer satisfaction and retention, linking service quality, customer lifetime value, profitability segmentation, services mapping, understanding customer expectations and developing service and customer-focused relationship marketing strategies.

RST 516 Finance & Budgeting in RST credit: 4 Hours.
Addresses the financial needs of organizations in recreation, sport and tourism. Students are introduced to the terminology and financial measurement tools used by academics and firms in the industry. Current economic issues, revenue streams, and budgeting are emphasized. Students develop the ability to critically assess the financial strengths and vulnerabilities of individual organizations and the field as a whole. An in-depth examination of an organization's internal and external environment in recreation, sport or tourism serves as the capstone.

RST 518 Event Management credit: 4 Hours.
Analyze special events from theoretical and applied perspectives and draw from the social sciences, management, the arts, and related professional fields to analyze the experience and attributed meanings of planned events. Students will acquire an in-depth knowledge of the specialized field of event management and become familiar with techniques and strategies required for successful planning, promotion, implementation and evaluation of special events within recreation, sport and tourism contexts.

RST 520 Critical Issues Sport Mgt credit: 4 Hours.
An analysis of the sport industry with special emphasis given to the role and function of the sport manager. Addresses advanced issues related to organizational theory, finance, marketing, sponsorship, contemporary management and leadership, decision making and strategic planning.

RST 530 Critical Issues Tourism Mgt credit: 4 Hours.
Exposes students to advanced theories, methods, practices and principles that govern tourism behavior. Survey the body of literature on tourism, examining ongoing debates regarding how individuals travel and the structures of institutions that shape travel.