

Master of Arts: Recreation & Leisure Studies
Emphasis: Recreation Administration
Department of Health & Rehabilitative Services

Overview:

The University of Toledo's Division of Recreation and Leisure Studies (RLS) offers advanced study beyond the bachelor's degree in Recreation Administration. This degree focuses on the study of the profession of recreation and leisure with an emphasis on administrative careers in community recreation and the natural environment. Students completing the Division's Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure Studies, with a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution without National Recreation & Park Association/American Association for Physical Activity & Recreation (NRPA/AAPAR) accreditation, qualify to apply for Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) certification following two years of professional employment in a recreation, park resources and leisure services position following degree completion.

Admission Requirements:

Students enrolling in the Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure must meet the following minimum admission requirements:

1. Acceptance into the College of Graduate Studies
2. A bachelor's or professional degree earned from a department of approved standing and granted by an accredited college or university.
3. A 2.70 or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA) for all previous academic work or a minimum Graduate Record Examination Score (GRE) of 800.
4. Prerequisite academic work that indicates the applicant should be able to pursue effectively the Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure Studies.
5. Proof of health and accident insurance.
6. Satisfactory scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) if from a country where English is not the primary language.

Graduation Requirements:

Students applying to graduate with a Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure must meet the following minimum graduation requirements:

1. Completion of all prerequisite academic course work, if needed, as required by the Division of Recreation & Leisure Studies.
2. A minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 12-point system for all coursework completed, with no less than a grade of C (2.0) in any course completed.

Graduate Degree Requirements

3. Completion of 9-12 credit hours in the Division of RLS Research Core, including completion of one of the following:
 - a. Graduate Internship Experience
 - b. Graduate Project
 - c. Master's Thesis
4. Completion of 9 credit hours in the Division of RLS Recreation Core
5. Completion of 15-18 credit hours as determined between student and Graduate Faculty Academic Advisor.
6. Completion of a minimum of 36 credit hours.

Master of Arts: Recreation & Leisure Studies
Emphasis: Recreational Therapy or Recreational Therapy & Therapeutic Arts
Department of Health & Rehabilitative Services

Overview:

The University of Toledo's Division of Recreation and Leisure Studies (RLS) offers advanced study beyond the bachelor's degree in Recreational Therapy. This degree focuses on the study of treatment programming and research in a variety of settings. The recreational therapy and therapeutic arts specialization focuses on the study of therapeutic arts as they are related to the practice of recreational therapy. Students completing the Division's Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure Studies, with a baccalaureate degree other than Recreational Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation qualify to apply for Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS) certification upon degree completion.

Admission Requirements:

Students enrolling in the Master of Arts in Recreational Therapy or Recreational Therapy & Therapeutic Arts must meet the following minimum admission requirements:

1. Acceptance into the College of Graduate Studies
2. A bachelor's or professional degree earned from a department of approved standing and granted by an accredited college or university.
3. A 2.70 or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA) for all previous academic work or a minimum Graduate Record Examination Score (GRE) of 800.
4. Prerequisite academic work that indicates the applicant should be able to pursue effectively the Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure Studies. **Note: A student who does not have a bachelor's degree in Recreational Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation will have to complete up to 64 hours of certification coursework depending on classes completed as part of their undergraduate degree. Twenty-seven of the 64 hours can be taken at the graduate level and would be included in the 36 graduate hours needed to complete the Master's of Arts degree. A student will need two academic years and one summer to complete their degree**

program and prerequisite courses. See Appendix A for an outline of the prerequisite courses.

5. Proof of health and accident insurance.
6. Satisfactory scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) if from a country where English is not the primary language.

Graduation Requirements:

Students applying to graduate with a Master of Arts in Recreation & Leisure must meet the following minimum graduation requirements:

1. Completion of all prerequisite academic course work, if needed, as required by the Division of Recreation & Leisure Studies.
2. A minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 12-point system for all coursework completed, with no less than a grade of C (2.0) in any course completed.
3. Completion of 9-12 credit hours in the Division of RLS Research Core, including completion of one of the following:
 - a. Graduate Internship Experience
 - b. Graduate Project
 - c. Master's Thesis
4. Completion of 9 credit hours in the Division of RLS Recreation Core
5. Completion of 15-18 credit hours as determined between student and Graduate Faculty Academic Advisor.
6. A student must complete all undergraduate prerequisite courses with a B- or higher grade.
7. Completion of a minimum of 36 credit hours.

MASTER OF ARTS: RECREATION & LEISURE STUDIES
EMPHASIS OPTIONS:
(A) RECREATION ADMINISTRATION,
(B) RECREATIONAL THERAPY,
(C) RECREATIONAL THERAPY & THERAPETIC ARTS

<p>RLS Research Core: (Select A, B, or C From the Following Culminating Research Options) Credit Hours: 9-12</p>
<p>Research Culminating Experience: Option A (9 Credit Hours)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ RCRT 5940/6940 Internship (6 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5420 Leisure Program Research Techniques (3 cr.)
<p>Research Culminating Experience: Option B (9 Credit Hours)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ RCRT 6920 Master's Project in Recreation & Leisure (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5420 Leisure Program Research Techniques (3 cr.) ➤ HSHS 6000 Statistics and Research for Health and Human Service Professions
<p>Research Culminating Experience: Option C (12 Credit Hours)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ RCRT 6920 Master's Thesis (6 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5420 Leisure Program Research Techniques (3 cr.) ➤ HSHS 6000 Statistics and Research for Health and Human Service Professions

<p>RLS Recreation & Recreation Therapy Core Credit Hours 9</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ RCRT 5310 Leisure Theory & Popular Culture (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6000 Issues & Trends in Recreation & Recreational Therapy (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6020 Financial Resources in Recreation & Recreational Therapy (3 cr.)

<p>RLS Electives (Must be Approved by Division Graduate Advisor) Credit Hours: 15-18</p>
<p>RLS Electives may include but are not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ RCRT 5300 Recreation & Adaptation for Special Education (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5320 Administration in Recreation & Recreational Therapy (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5340 Leisure Recreation & Aging (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5400 Naturalist & Interpretive Services (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5410 Park & Recreation Planning (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5500 Wildlife Management (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5510 Wilderness Policy & Management (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5720 Introduction to Therapeutic Recreation (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5750 Group Dynamics in Recreational Therapy (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5780 Program Planning in Recreational Therapy (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5610 Adventure Therapy Programming (3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 5940 Internship (1-6 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6920 Master's Project in Recreation & Leisure (1-4 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6930 Seminar in Recreation & Leisure (1-3 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6940 Internship (1-4 cr.) ➤ RCRT 6990 Independent Study in Recreation & Leisure (1-3 cr.) ➤ AED Electives

Minimum Total Credit Hours Required: 36

Appendix A

Recreational Therapy / Recreational Therapy & Therapeutic Arts Prerequisites

KINE 2560 Anatomy & Physiology

PSY 2510 Lifespan Developmental Psychology

PSY 2200 Abnormal Psychology

HEAL 1800 Medical Terminology

Psychology/Counseling Course: _____

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*RCRT 5620-5690, 5900 & 5910 RT Interventions (9 Needed)

*RCRT 5720 Introduction to Therapeutic Recreation

*RCRT 5730 Medical & Clinical Aspects of Therapeutic Recreation

RCRT 4740 Assessment & Documentation in Therapeutic Recreation

*RCRT 5750 Group Dynamics in Recreational Therapy

*RCRT 5790 Medical & Clinical Aspects of Therapeutic Recreation II

*RCRT 5300 Recreation & Adaptation for Special Education

*RCRT 5610 Adventure Therapy Programming (Optional)

*RCRT 5800- 5940 RT Clinical Internship (5 Needed)

*RCRT 5940 RT Certification Internship (12 weeks/480 contact hours)

* Classes which can be completed at the graduate level and would be included as part of RLS Electives.