

**What can I do with a major in
“Recreation and Leisure Studies”?
The University of Georgia Career Center**

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This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.

Description of Recreation and Leisure Studies

The Recreation and Leisure Studies Program at the University of Georgia prepares students for positions in recreation, parks, and leisure services. Students will gain broad knowledge and skills in the areas of administration and management of recreation and leisure services. Programming techniques for people with a range of abilities are emphasized. The major leads to careers in recreation program leadership or the administration and management of public, private, civic, and social agencies. The program of study at the University of Georgia is generally divided into the general university core, the major, and electives.

Research Careers

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers) O*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations) Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest) Alberta Occupational Profiles <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search) ***Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant if you need additional information or assistance.**

Possible Job Titles of Recreation & Leisure Studies Graduates

(*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Account Executive*	Cruise Director	Recreation Therapist*
Activity	Dept. of Recreation/Parks*	Regional/Cultural Arts
Coordinator*/Director	Director of Therapeutic	Coordinator*
Activity Therapist*	Recr*	Scuba School Training
Adventure Travel Coord.	Event Manager*/Planner*	Coord.*
Adventure/Outdoor	Naturalist*	Southern Region Program
Education	Park Manager/Ranger*	Dir*
Arts & Crafts Director	Program Coordinator*	Special Education Teacher*
Assistant Director for	Project Research Director*	Teacher/Coach*
Camp*	Recreation Coordinator*	Youth Director*
Camp Director*	Recreation Program	
	Coord.*	

Possible Employers of Recreation & Leisure Studies Graduates

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Adventure/Amusement Park	Community Recreation Depts.	Renaissance Pine Isle Resort*
Athens Heritage Home*	Danset Trails Nature Center*	Sandy Creek Nature Center*
Athens-Clarke Co. Leisure	Duluth Parks & Recreation*	Second Nature Wilderness
Services*	Flexicom Verizon Wireless*	Prog*
Athletic Fields Inc.*	Gwinnett County Parks &	Smithfield NC Parks & Rec.*
Boy Scouts of America*	Recre.*	United States Dept. of
Camp Twin Lakes*	Health South Incorporated*	Defense*
Camp Woodside*	Inner Harbour Hospital*	West Central Ga.Regional
Charter Hospital of Greenville*	Marketing Event Partners*	Hosp.*
Churches*	Panola Mountain State Park*	Winterville Retirement Center*
Clarke Co School System*	Phoebe Putney Mem. Hospital*	Wyoming State National Park*
		YMCA**
		Youth Camps

Career Center Library Resources

Careers in Focus: Sports- 2nd Edition by Ferguson

Mulligan Guide to Sports Journalism Careers by Mulligan, Joseph F.

Opportunities in Sports & Athletic Careers by Heitzmann, M. Ray

Campus Resources

UGA Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies - <http://www.coe.uga.edu/chds/rlst/>

College of Education - <http://www.coe.uga.edu/>

Department of Recreational Sports - <http://www.recsports.uga.edu/index.php>

The Academy of Leisure Sciences - <http://academyofleisuresciences.com/>

Employment Websites

Georgia Recreation and Park Association - <http://www.grpa.org/>

Therapeutic Recreation Directory - <http://www.recreationtherapy.com/>

National Recreation and Park Association - <http://www.nrpa.org/>

Great Outdoor Recreation Pages - <http://www.gorp.com/default.htm>

Galaxy - <http://www.einet.net/directory/11615/Sports.htm>

American Alliance for Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance - <http://www.aahperd.org/>

Active.com-Outdoors - <http://www.active.com/outdoors/>

American Therapeutic Recreation Association - <http://www.atra-online.com/>

eco.org-The Place for Everything Eco - <http://www.eco.org/>