

Counseling, Recreation, and School Psychology

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The Department of Counseling, Recreation and School Psychology offers programs and courses for students interested in working in a wide range of organizational, urban/ multicultural/ international contexts of education and training. Academic preparation focuses on such areas as research/evaluation, counselor education, school psychology, recreation therapy and recreation and sport management. In addition, the department provides the core undergraduate and graduate curricula in the psychological foundations of education and research, measurement, and evaluation. The department offers master's degrees in counselor education and recreation and sports management, the specialist degree in school psychology, and the bachelor's degree in Recreation and Sport Management. Department faculty are recognized as

national/international scholars, exemplify outstanding teaching practices, and are committed to taking a leadership role in the provision of professional services and the process of community engagement. The Department faculty are worlds ahead in their commitment to serving and maximizing student learning, engaging in the discovery and dissemination of new knowledge, and encouraging a creative and innovative spirit among students. Community engagement plays a pivotal role in the programs and sponsored-research projects implemented through the department, where critical problems confronting our communities are identified and addressed.

Lower-Division Common Education

Common Prerequisite Courses and Equivalencies

<u>FIU Course(s)</u>	<u>Equivalent Course(s)</u>
EDF 1005	EDFX005
EDF 2085	EDFX085 ¹
EME 2040	EMEX040

¹In addition to EDFX085, a minimum of 6 semester hours with an international or diversity focus is required. Eligible courses will be determined by the community college or university where the student is currently earning the Associate in Arts or baccalaureate degree. Foreign language courses may be used to meet this requirement.

Courses which form part of the statewide articulation between the State University System and the Florida College System will fulfill the Lower Division Common Prerequisites.

Please visit <https://cpm.flvc.org> for a current list of state-approved common prerequisites.

Common Prerequisites (Teacher Preparation Programs)

EDF 1005	Introduction to Education ¹	3
EDF 2085	Teaching Diverse Populations ¹	3
EME 2040	Introduction to Educational Technology or acceptable substitute	3

¹Requires field experience of 15 clock hours outside of class time.

In addition to EDF 2085, students must take six credit hours with an international or diversity focus in lower division. See individual programs for specific major prerequisite courses.

Field Experience

Some courses offered by the department may require observation and participation in selected schools and other community settings. The course descriptions identify the courses which require in school classroom experiences guided by the directing classroom teacher and a School of Education faculty member.

All stated admission requirements are to be considered minimums. A student who meets these minimum requirements is not automatically assured admission.

Program admission requirements are subject to change. It is the responsibility of the student to assure that he/she has met the requirements.

Graduation Requirements

In the School of Education, all undergraduate students are required to meet the following requirements before they can graduate from their respective teacher education programs.

1. An overall GPA of 2.5

- Successful demonstration of all the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices – pre-professional level
- Passing scores on the three tests that make up the Florida Teacher Certification Exam.

Recreation Management Certificate Program

This is a professional certification program, which does not require an interdisciplinary relationship. However, given the interdisciplinary nature of the Recreation Management program, students will have exposure to various fields of study (e.g., marketing, strategic planning, management, human resource management, law & liability, etc.). This certificate program is open to non-degree-seeking students only.

Courses and Requirements: (18)

LEI 3402	Program Development in Recreation and Sports	3
LEI 3524	Human Resource Management	3
LEI 3542	Principles of Parks, Recreation and Sports Management	3
LEI 3630	Care, Maintenance and Design	3
LEI 3800	Liability and Law in Leisure, Recreation and Sports	3
LEI 4560	Leisure Service Marketing	3

Bachelor of Science in Recreation and Sport Management

Degree Program Hours: 120

The Recreation and Sport Management undergraduate curriculum offers professional preparation programs designed to prepare students for employment in park, recreation, sport management, healthcare or recreational therapy delivery systems. The program is oriented towards direct services, supervisory, and management employment opportunities. A student may elect to gain competencies in the following tracks: Parks Management, Recreation and Sport Management, Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation or Recreational Therapy in the BS/MS Combined Degree Pathway.

Lower Division Preparation

To qualify for admission into the program, students must meet all published admission requirements which include: program prerequisites, General Education/Gordon Rule, GPA = 2.0.

*The RT combined degree pathway requires a 3.2 overall GPA.

Required Core Courses for all Tracks: (21-36)

LEI 3001	Leisure and Recreation in America	3
LEI 3707	Inclusive Recreation Services – GL	3
LEI 3542	Principles of Parks, Recreation and Sport Management	3
LEI 3800	Liability and Law in Leisure, Recreation & Sports	3
ACG 3024	Introduction to Accounting for Managers and Investors	3
	or	3
PAD 4223	Public Sector Budgeting	3

***Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation students and Recreational Therapy (Combined Degree Pathway) students are not required to take ACG 3024 or PAD 4223**

*LEI 4940 Internship I 3-9

**LEI 4941 Internship II 3-12

***Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation students and Recreational Therapy (Combined Degree Pathway) students are required to take 6 credits of LEI 4940.**

****The students in the Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation track are not required to take LEI 4941.**

*****The students in the RT Combined Degree Pathway are required to take 12 credits of LEI 4941 under the supervision of a full time Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS) in the last semester of senior year.**

Recreation and Sport Management Track: (27)

LEI 3402	Program Development in Recreation and Sports	3
LEI 3524	Human Resource Management in Parks and Recreation	3
LEI 3630	Care, Maintenance and Design	3
LEI 4560	Leisure Services Marketing	3
LEI 4590	Seminar in Parks, Recreation and Sport Management	3
MAR 3023	Introduction to Marketing – GL	3
PET 4251	Sociology of Sport	3
	Advisor approved electives	6

Parks Management Track: (27)

LEI 3402	Program Development in Recreation and Sports	3
LEI 3630	Care, Maintenance and Design	3
	Two Environmental Science Courses and Labs ¹	6-8
	Two Environmental Social Science Courses ¹	6
	Two Environmental Electives ¹	6
	Advisor approved electives	1-3

¹the above six courses qualify you for an Environmental Studies Certificate.

Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation Track: (36)

LEI 3703	Introduction to Recreational Therapy	3
LEI 3723L	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques and Modalities Lab	1
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(Students are required to take three different 1-credit lab courses)

LEI 4724	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques	3
LEI 4711	Client Assessment, Documentation, and Evaluation in Recreational Therapy	3
CLP 4146	Psychopathology	3
HSC 3537	Medical Terminology	3

Minor or Elective Options for Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation Track

Advisor- approved minor and/or electives 18

Required Prerequisites for Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation Track:

Human Growth and Development	3
Anatomy*	3
Anatomy lab*	1
Physiology*	3

**The students in the track can meet the prerequisite of both anatomy and physiology with:*

Combined Anatomy and Physiology course	3
Combined Anatomy and Physiology lab	3

Recreational Therapy Track in the BS/MS Combined Degree Pathway (18):

LEI 3703	Introduction to Recreational Therapy	3
LEI 3723L	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques and Modalities Lab	1
LEI 3723L	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques and Modalities Lab	1
LEI 3723L	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques and Modalities Lab	1

(Students are required to take three different 1-credit lab courses)

LEI 4724	Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques	3
LEI 4711	Client Assessment, Documentation, and Evaluation in Recreational Therapy	3
CLP 4146	Psychopathology	3
HSC 3537	Medical Terminology	3

Required Prerequisites for Recreational Therapy in the BS/MS Combined Degree Pathway:

Human Growth and Development	3
Anatomy*	3
Anatomy lab*	1
Physiology*	3

**The students in the pathway can meet the prerequisite of both anatomy and physiology with:*

Combined Anatomy and Physiology course	3
Combined Anatomy and Physiology lab	3

Combined BS/MS in Recreation and Sport Management: Recreational Therapy Track (RT) Degree Pathway

To be considered for admission to the combined Bachelor's/Master's degree pathway, student must have completed 75 credits in the Bachelor's degree program to which they are applying. Students need only apply once to the combined degree pathway; the application is submitted to Graduate Admissions typically before the students starts the last 30 credits of the Bachelor's degree program. A student admitted to the combined degree pathway will be considered to have undergraduate status until the student applies for graduation from their Bachelor's degree program. Upon conferral of the Bachelor's degree, students will be granted graduate status and be eligible for graduate assistantships. Only 5000-level or higher courses, and no more than the number of credits specified by the program catalog may be applied toward both degrees.

Admission Requirements

1. Current enrollment in the Bachelor's degree program in Recreation and Sport Management, Pre-Recreational Therapy/Adaptive Recreation Track.
2. Completed at least 75 credits of coursework.

3. Current GPA of 3.2 or higher.
4. International graduate student applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit a score for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or for the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). A total score of 80 on the iBT TOEFL or 6.5 on the IELTS is required.

General Requirements

The FIU Bachelor's degree in Recreation and Sport Management, Recreational Therapy Track, must be awarded before the Master's degree.

Degree Program: (33)**Required Core: (*12)**

LEI 5510	Program Administration in Parks, Recreation and Sport	3
LEI 5595	Seminar in Parks, Recreation, and Sports Management	3
LEI 5605	Philosophical and Social Bases of Parks and Recreation Planning	3
	or	
PET 5256	Sociology of Sport	3
EDF 5481	Foundations of Educational Research	3

***RT Track Combined Degree Pathway & RT MS students are not required to take LEI 5595**

Required Courses: (18)

LEI 6726	Trends, Issues, and Managerial Aspects of Recreational Therapy	3
LEI 5716	Program Planning in Recreational Therapy	3
LEI 6816	Advanced Recreational Therapy Facilitation Techniques	3
LEI 6725	Administrative Aspects of Therapeutic Recreation	3
EDF 6472	Research Methods in Education: Introduction to Data Analysis	3
	or	
	An approved graduate level research course	3
	Advised Elective	3

Options to complete the degree:**Thesis Option: (3-6)**

LEI 6970	Thesis: Therapeutic Recreation	3-6
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Non-Thesis Option: (3-6)

LEI 5907	Directed Study in Parks and Recreation Management	3-6
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Overlap

Nine (9) of the credits (LEI 6726, LEI 5716, LEI 6816) taken during their senior year will be graduate level courses in RT and will transfer into the master's degree program.

*Although the BS/MS 4+1 RT track combined degree pathway, students accepted into this program may discontinue their education upon completion of the B.S. degree.