

RECREATION, SPORT & TOURISM MASTER OF SCIENCE

ONLINE

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REQUIRED COURSES:

Required 7 Courses: (28 credit hours) RST 501 Concepts and Applications in Recreation, Sport and Tourism RST 512 Managing Recreation, Sport and Tourism Organizations RST 515 Marketing in RST RST 516 Finance & Budgeting in RST RST 519 Strategic Management RST 504 Applied Evaluation & Needs Assessment in RST ONE course from the following: RST 502 Critical Issues in Recreation Management RST 520 Critical Issues in Sport Management RST 530 Critical Issues in Tourism Management

Electives 2 courses: (8 credit hours) RST 518 Event Management RST 580 Legal Aspects in RST RST 585 Inclusive by Design RST 588 PD Park Planning & Design Job opportunities in parks & recreation, sports management, convention & tourist bureaus, health & fitness clubs and volunteer & youth agencies are on the rise. The online Master of Science degree from the Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism provides you a quality and highly accessible education, ensuring that you are prepared to meet the changing requirements of the recreation, sport and tourism industry.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Experienced individuals working in a recreation, sport or tourism field who are looking for career change, advancement, transition or continuing education, as well as new graduates with a bachelor's degree in RST or related field who are now working full time or part time.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- 3.0 GPA in last 60 Credit Hours
- No GRE Required
- Statement of Purpose outlining area of study
- Three letters of Recommendation
- Official transcripts
- Resume Program begins in September, January or May. Applications Accepted Year-Round. Deadlines: August 15 for September; December 5 for January; April 15 for May.

COST:

\$726 per credit hour including fees. Textbooks are required for some courses; costs vary. All costs subject to change.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Students are notified by the program coordinator with registration information.

DELIVERY MODE:

Online

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Most textbooks can be purchased within the courses, the program coordinator will notify all students.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Students can transfer up to 12 credit hours and those courses are reviewed by the Graduate Committee after a student has completed 8 graded credit hours.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

36 Credit Hours (9 sequential courses)

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

August, January and May

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

To apply for financial aid, complete the FAFSA online. Use federal school code 001775. For more information, contact Office of Student Financial Aid. E-mail: <u>finaid@illinois.edu</u> Phone: (217) 333-0100 <u>www.osfa.illinois.edu</u>

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Flexible program that accommodates students who need to "stop out" during a busy time of their employment. Students who stop out can return at the next term and begin where they left off. Students typically spend 15-25 hours per week on the course and do not need to be logged in concurrently with other students. Most students complete course work at night and on weekends. Almost all RST students work full time.