

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION, PARKS, AND TOURISM ADMINISTRATION

Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Administration majors who successfully complete RPT 600GW [formerly RPT 660 GW] in fall 2010, or thereafter, will have satisfied the University Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR).

Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Administration Major (B.S.) – 51 units

Foundation (36 units)

Code	Title	Units
RPT 200	Foundations of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	3
RPT 300	Leadership in Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	3
RPT 325	Information Technology in Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	3
RPT 340	Conference, Event Planning, and Management	3
RPT 350	Facilitating Wellness Through Leisure	3
RPT 390	Leisure Travel and Tourism	3
RPT 400	Programming in Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	3
RPT 410	Therapeutic and Inclusive Recreation	3
RPT 440	Urban Recreation and Parks	3
RPT 500	Organization and Administration of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	3
RPT 520	Parks and Outdoor Recreation Resources	3
RPT 600GW	Professionalism in Recreation, Parks and Tourism - GWAR	3

Emphasis Area (3 units)

Select a minimum of one of the following based on interest and advisor approval. Suggested Emphasis Areas and related courses:

Code	Title	Units
Commercial Recreation/Tourism and Events		
RPT 460	Recreation Destination Resorts	3
RPT 540	Start-Up and Sustainable Operations of Tourism, Event, and Recreation Enterprises	3
RPT 670	Advanced Conference, Event Planning, and Management	3
Community Recreation/Wellness		
RPT 210	Growth through Art and Leisure	3
RPT 445	Recreation Therapy and the Expressive Arts	3
Outdoor Recreation/Natural Resources		
RPT 430	Ecology of Outdoor Recreation	3
RPT/ENVS 640	Recreational Use of National Parks and Protected Areas	3
Nonprofit Recreation/Human Services		
RPT 210	Growth through Art and Leisure	3
RPT 470	Travel with Purpose	3
RPT 570	Developing and Managing Resources in Nonprofit Agencies	3

Internship (12 units)

In the final spring semester, students complete a 12-unit internship (RPT 690) within an appropriate recreation, parks, or tourism setting. A minimum of 800 hours of paid or volunteer work experience (600 hours in recreation settings), completion of all major courses, and fulfillment of all General Education/University requirements are required prior to enrolling in the internship and seminar courses.

Code	Title	Units
RPT 690	Internship in Recreation, Parks, and Tourism	12

Additional coursework is required for students seeking internships in settings that require special skills; such course work is prescribed in consultation with an advisor.

General Education Requirements

Requirement	Course Level	Units	Area Designation
Oral Communication	LD	3	A1
Written English Communication I	LD	3	A2
Critical Thinking	LD	3	A3
Written English Communication II	LD	3	A4
Physical Science	LD	3	B1
Life Science	LD	3	B2
Lab Science	LD	1	B3
Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning	LD	3	B4
Arts	LD	3	C1
Arts or Humanities	LD	3	C1 or C2
Humanities: Literature	LD	3	C3
Social Sciences	LD	3	D1
Social Sciences: US History	LD	3	D2
Social Sciences: US & CA Government	LD	3	D3
Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (LLD)	LD or UD	3	E
Physical and/or Life Science	UD	3	UD-B
Arts and/or Humanities	UD	3	UD-C
Social Sciences	UD	3	UD-D

SF State Studies

Courses certified as meeting the SF State Studies requirements may be upper or lower division in General Education (GE), in a major or minor, or an elective.

American Ethnic and Racial Minorities (AERM)	LD or UD	3
Environmental Sustainability (ES)	LD or UD	3
Global Perspectives (GP)	LD or UD	3
Social Justice (SJ)	LD or UD	3

Note: LD = Lower-Division; UD = Upper-Division.

First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

[This roadmap opens in a new tab](http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/recreation-parks-tourism/bs-recreation-parks-tourism-administration/roadmap) (bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/recreation-parks-tourism/bs-recreation-parks-tourism-administration/roadmap).

General Advising Information for Transfer Students

1. Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
2. The following courses are not required for admission but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.
 - a course in U.S. History
 - a course in U.S. & California Government
 - a 2nd-semester course in written English composition

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit <http://www.assist.org>. Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower division major requirements for this major, including 2nd-semester composition;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA Government.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 units/90 quarters required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper division transfer (for example, if course was not passed on the first attempt, or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California Community College of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State.

Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken. Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower-division general education in areas C and D until after transfer to focus on preparation courses for the major. (This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.)

Transferring from institutions other than CCCs or CSUs

Review SF State's lower division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State's lower division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (GE A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit <http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL>.

Identify and complete a 2nd-semester written English composition course before transfer. This is usually the next course after the typical "freshman comp" course, with a focus on writing, reading and critical analytical skills for academic purposes, and developing skills in composing, revising, and the use of rhetorical strategies.

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.

All students must meet the transfer eligibility requirements outlined below for admission. For more information, visit the Undergraduate Admissions section.

- Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units
- Earn a college grade point average of 2.00 or better in all transferable courses. Non-local area residents may be held to a higher GPA standard.
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended
- Complete 30-semester units (45-quarter units) of general education, including four basic skills courses:
 - a. One course in oral communication (same as CSU GE Area A1)
 - b. One course in written composition (same as CSU GE Area A2)
 - c. One course in critical thinking (same as CSU GE Area A3)
 - d. One course in mathematics or quantitative reasoning (same as CSU GE Area B4)
- The four basic skills courses and a minimum of 60 transferable semester units (90-quarter units) must be completed by the spring semester prior to fall admission, or by the fall semester prior to spring admission. Earn a "C-" or better grade in each basic skills course.