

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION, PARKS, AND TOURISM ADMINISTRATION

Last Admissions Term Fall 2023

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 Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Experiences	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 - GVAR	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
Community Recreation/Wellness		
RPT 210	Growth Through Art and Leisure	3
Outdoor Recreation/Natural Resources		
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

Internship (12 units)

In the final spring semester, students complete a 12-unit internship (RPT 690 (<https://sfsu-preview.courseleaf.com/search/?P=RPT%20690>)) 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	3-12

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	LD	3	A2
Critical Thinking	LD	3	A3
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
Humanities	LD	3	C2
Arts or Humanities	LD	3	C1 or C2
Social Sciences	LD	3	D1
Social Sciences: US History	LD	3	D2
Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (LLD)	LD	3	E
Ethnic Studies	LD	3	F
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), a major or minor, or an elective.

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

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

First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

- The roadmaps presented in this Bulletin are intended as suggested plans of study and do not replace meeting with an advisor. For a more personalized roadmap, please use the Degree Planner (<https://registrar.sfsu.edu/degreeplanner/>) tool found in your [Student Center](#).

- b. In order to choose your English Composition A2 course and your QR/Math B4 course, please complete the online advising activities at writingadvising.sfsu.edu (<https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu>) and mathadvising.sfsu.edu. Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu>).

[First-Time Student Roadmap \(http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/recreation-parks-tourism/bs-recreation-parks-tourism-administration/roadmap-i-ii-eng/\)](http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/recreation-parks-tourism/bs-recreation-parks-tourism-administration/roadmap-i-ii-eng/)

General Advising Information for Transfer Students

- a. Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
- b. 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

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit <http://www.assist.org> (<http://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;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA Government requirements.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 semester units/90 quarter units 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 a 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 (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 bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL.

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.