

# M.S. in Sport and Recreation Admin Description

The M.S. in sport and recreation administration provides advanced education and vocational opportunities to develop leisure service delivery skills and evaluation or research competencies for students committed to careers in leisure, sport, recreation, health, tourism, and/or research. Students choose either a 1) thesis, 2) special event planning, or 3) internship based on their education, experience, and career goals.

The GRE is optional for prospective students applying to the graduate program. It is recommended that students with an undergraduate GPA below 3.0 submit a GRE score as part of their application. Along with the undergraduate GPA and GRE, the graduate faculty considers additional application materials to comprehensively evaluate each applicant and determine capability of successfully studying in the graduate program. This includes the written statement discussing career goals, objectives, motivation, and readiness to pursue graduate study and the applicant's prior experience, accomplishments, or proficiencies stated on the resume or curriculum vitae

## Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30 Course Requirements

A minimum of 30 semester hours of graduate study is required for the M.S. in sport and recreation administration. Students will be admitted to the program based on faculty evaluation of their admission documents and academic and professional experiences. Students choose no later than the conclusion of their first 9 hours one of the three tracks. Every M.S. student completes a minimum of 9 hours in the core program area, research and statistics (9 hours). Students will also select either the administration or analytics track, each consisting of 12 hours. Students will also have the option to select one option area (6 hours).

#### Core Curriculum (9 hours)

- SRA 660 Finance and Economics (3)
- SRA 671 Recreation Admin. Program Administration (3)
- SRA 672 Business of Sport and Recreation (3)

#### Research and Statistics (9 hours)

- SRA 503 Data Analytics Methodologies (3)
- SRA 511 Applied Statistics (3) OR approved statistics course
- SRA 625 Research Design and Evaluation (3)

#### Track (6 hours)

- Administration
  - Adviser-approved electives related to administration
- Analytics
  - Adviser-approved electives related to analytics

#### **Options**

- Thesis (6)
- Non-Thesis Option (6 from HESRM 500+ level courses)
- Internship (6)

### Other Academic Requirements

Students who have not completed an internship or who lack professional work experience within the sport and recreation field will complete a 3- hour internship (SRA 627) as one of the electives within the degree program.

