

Adventure Recreation and Tourism

Associates in Applied Science - 66 credit hours

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Career Opportunities: Successful completion of the program qualifies graduates for a variety of positions in the adventure tourism industry including tour operator, parks interpreter, recreation coordinator, and Maine guide in sea kayaking, recreation, hunting and fishing.

Program Educational Outcomes: Upon completion of the Associate in Applied Science degree in the Adventure Recreation and Tourism Program, the graduate is prepared to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of the knowledge, technical skills and credentials necessary to work in various facets of the industry.
2. Understand and apply knowledge concerning safety and conscientious stewardship of the environment.
3. Demonstrate adventure tourism leadership.
4. Demonstrate ability to support adventure, nature and outdoor recreation activities that are part of the Washington County community.
5. Demonstrate eligibility to take several State tests for licensure in the adventure recreation and tourism industry.
6. Qualify for employment in nature-related travel and outdoor recreation businesses or to start their own businesses.

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ADV105	Introduction to Sea Kayaking	1
ADV111	Wilderness Expedition Skills I	4
ADV112	Introduction to Sailing	1
ADV113	Ropes Course Facilitation	1
ADV130	Map and Compass	1
ADV131	Nautical Navigation	1
ADV132	GPS and Electronic Navigation	1
ENV110	Field Natural History	4
FYE100	First Year Experience	1
	Total	15
Semester 2		
ADV115	Outdoor Leadership	3
ADV121	Wilderness Expedition Skills II	4
ADV125	Tourism Seminar	3
ADV175	Practicum in Adventure Recreation	3
ENG101	College Composition	3
MAT	Math Elective of MAT 112 or above	3
	Total	19
Semester 3		
ADV	Adventure Recreation Elective	3
ADV226	Adventure Programming	3
BIO120	General Biology	4
COM200	Environmental Interpretation	3
PHI114	Environmental Ethics	3
	Total	16
Semester 4		
ADV	Adventure Recreation Elective	3
ADV250	Capstone	3
BUS	Business Elective	3
EMS112	Wilderness First Responder	4
HIS115	History of Maine	3
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