Do you want to work outdoors? No matter your chosen discipline, you will find this program a useful and beneficial enhancement of your education.

**Description**

As the Southwest continues to develop and urbanize, the demands and pressures on public lands and natural resources continue to grow, and the interplay between society and natural resources is key to understanding modernity and continues to be at the center of policy issues and quality of life debates in the West.

The minor program in parks and protected area management introduces students to the role of parks and protected areas, with a focus on the unique issues faced by managers of urban-proximate natural areas.

The minor allows students enrolled in other undergraduate programs at ASU to broaden their educational experiences; students from such various disciplines as business, education, nursing, public affairs, social work and many others might find this program a beneficial supplement to their existing program.

Students interested in this parks and protected area management minor may also be interested in therapeutic recreation, available through the parks and recreation management program.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** Watts College of Public Service & Community Solut
- **Location:** Downtown Phoenix campus

**Program Requirements**

Minor Map (Archives)
2020 - 2021 Minor Map
Completion of a parks and protected area management minor in the School of Community Resources and Development requires the following:

**Required Core Courses -- 12 credit hours**

- PRM 120: Leisure and the Quality of Life (SB) (3)
- PRM 370: Public Lands Management (3)
  
  Notes: Offered fall semester only

- PRM 380: Wilderness and Parks in America (SB & H) (3)
- TDM 480: Sustainable Tourism (3)

**Elective Course (choose one) -- 3 credit hours**

- CRD 301: Sustainable Communities (3)
- PRM 340: Outdoor Survival (3)
  
  Notes: Offered fall semester only

- PRM 470: Environmental Communication (3)
  
  Notes: Offered spring semester only

- TDM 448: Heritage and Cultural Tourism (3)
- TDM 494: Special Topics (3)

**Standards**

1. 15 hours of graded classroom course work (no internship, no independent study)

2. 12 hours of course work at the upper-division level, from the approved list

3. minimum grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) required for all courses in the minor

4. no double counting of courses for a major and the minor

5. should be a junior to take 400-level courses

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.

**Enrollment Requirements**

**GPA Requirement:** 2.00

**Incompatible Majors:** BS in parks and recreation management (all concentrations); BS in recreation therapy

**Other Enrollment Requirements:** None
Current ASU undergraduate students may pursue a minor and have it recognized on their ASU transcript at graduation. Students interested in pursuing a minor should consult their academic advisor to declare the minor and to ensure that an appropriate set of courses is taken. Minor requirements appear on the degree audit once the minor is added. Certain major and minor combinations may be deemed inappropriate by the college or department of either the major program or the minor. Courses taken for the minor may not count toward both the major and the minor. Students should contact their academic advisor for more information.

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