

CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term
Fall 2002
[2002*03]

Curriculum Program Title	Outdoor Leadership	Code	A55330
Concentration	(not applicable)		

Curriculum Description

This curriculum is designed to prepare individuals to be successful professionals in outdoor adventure, education and leadership.

Course work includes technical training in the areas such as backpacking, canoeing, kayaking, and rock-climbing. These skills are taught through facilitation and experiential learning methodologies. This course of study includes interpersonal skills and leadership skills such as group process, conflict resolution, program planning and management issues.

Graduates from this program will have a sound background in outdoor leadership blended with a solid foundation of general education, business, and computer skills. Graduates are prepared for employment in the adventure tourism industry, therapeutic wilderness programs, specialized adventure/leadership programs, adventure programs for youth, challenge course industry, city, county, and state outdoor programs, public and private outdoor education centers, and private and public school outdoor programs.

*Curriculum Requirements**

[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*
- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)	64-76	36-48	12-18

*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.

Major Hours

[ref. 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** (if applicable). A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

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	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum Major Hours Required	49 SHC	30 SHC	12 SHC
A. CORE	38-40 SHC	NR	NR
Required Courses:			
BUS 137 Principles of Management	3 SHC		
ODL 110 Introduction to Outdoor Leadership	3 SHC		
ODL 115 Methods of Experiential Education	3 SHC		
ODL 120 Challenge Course Facilitation	3 SHC		
ODL 125 Wilderness First Responder	4 SHC		
ODL 130 Water Based Activities I	3 SHC		
ODL 135 Land Based Activities I	3 SHC		
ODL 210 Water Based Activities II	3 SHC		
ODL 212 Land Based Activities II	3 SHC		
ODL 215 Administration & Policy of Public Lands	3 SHC		
ODL 220 Climbing	3 SHC		
ODL 228 Outdoor Leadership for Special Populations	3 SHC		
Required Subject Areas:			
Technical Elective (Select one course from the following)			
BUS 110 Introduction to Business	3 SHC		
MED 182 CPR, First Aid Emergency	2 SHC		
ODL 240 Pack Animals	2 SHC		
ODL 244 Caving	2 SHC		
ODL 250 Biking	2 SHC		
ODL 260 Challenge Course Management	3 SHC		
ODL 265 Raft Guide Training	1 SHC		
ODL 270 Swift Water Rescue	1 SHC		
ODL 280 Desert/Alpine Orientation	3 SHC		
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<p>B. CONCENTRATION <i>(Not applicable)</i></p>			
<p>C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS <i>To be selected from the following prefixes:</i></p> <p>BUS, CIS, COE, MED, ODL, PED, REC, and SEM</p> <p><i>Foreign language courses (including ASL) that are not designated as approved other major hours may be included in all programs up to a maximum of 3 semester hours of credit.</i></p>			