

Leadership In Leisure Services Making A Difference

Children in today's world are inundated with information about who to be, what to do and how to live. But what if there was a way to teach children how to manage priorities, focus on goals and be a positive influence on the world around them? The Leader in Me is that programme. It's based on a hugely successful initiative carried out at the A.B. Combs Elementary School in North Carolina. To hear the parents of A. B Combs talk about the school is to be amazed. In 1999, the school debuted a programme that taught The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People to a pilot group of students. The parents reported an incredible change in their children, who blossomed under the programme. By the end of the following year the average end-of-grade scores had leapt from 84 to 94. This book will launch the message onto a much larger platform. Stephen R. Covey takes the 7 Habits, that have already changed the lives of millions of people, and shows how children can use them as they develop. Those habits -- be proactive, begin with the end in mind, put first things first, think win-win, seek to understand and then to be understood, synergize, and sharpen the saw -- are critical skills to learn at a young age and bring incredible results, proving that it's never too early to teach someone how to live well.

Have you ever seen a wheelchair user who you thought might need some help, but you weren't sure what to do? Have you ever wanted to start a conversation with someone who has a speech impediment but were afraid you might be awkward and say something offensive? More the Same than Different: What I Wish People Knew About Respecting and Including People with Disabilities is a practical guide for anyone who may not have much experience interacting with people with disabilities and wants to feel more comfortable. Full of skills and strategies to implement, as well as stories from Lorraine's personal experience, this book includes various scenarios and explains, from Lorraine's perspective, what people did right and what could have happened differently. Examples of chapter titles include The Importance of What You Say, The Importance of How You Say What You Say, Empowerment, Positive Interactions, Inclusion, Inspiration and the concept of Inspiration Porn, and Disability Etiquette. This book exemplifies in many ways that we are all more the same than different. "Lorraine has been giving our readers an inside view of her life as a wheelchair user for years as a writer for Chicken Soup for the Soul. Her book is a helpful collection of observations and tips for those of us who aren't quite sure what to do when we encounter people with disabilities in our daily lives." Amy Newmark, editor of the Chicken Soup for the Soul books

Mastering the Job Search Process in Recreation and Leisure Services, Second Edition, is a practical guide full of tools and advice for recreation and leisure service professionals. This book simplifies the process of securing a job in recreation and leisure service by explaining every step from both an employer's and applicant's point of view. Based on years of experience in the hiring process, this book reflects research conducted with over one thousand recreation and leisure services practitioners involved in the job search process. The book includes their advice as well as secrets to success.

In a global climate of increasing complexity and uncertainty, there have been calls for a more responsible form of leadership in business and society. The relationship between kindness and leadership is therefore a topic of fundamental importance for our well-being as individuals, for the success of our organisations, and for the future of our global community. Kindness in Leadership is one of the first books to explore both the concept and practice of kindness in leadership and consider them in different societal and organisational settings. Its uniqueness lies in combining an innovative mix of personal views from leaders with explorations of organisational philosophies and practices. It opens with a definition of kindness and its contours and underpinnings. It then explores the importance of kindness within different organisations, parts of the world, economic strata, age groups and genders, drawing on research on organisational compassion and neuroscience. In order to support learning, each chapter is supported by a series of questions for consideration and discussion. This will be a stimulating and thought-provoking read for a wide audience of practicing managers and leaders in organisations of all shapes and sizes, for academics involved in educating for leadership, and for students aspiring to develop their own kind and compassionate leadership style.

Introduction to Recreation and Leisure, Third Edition, gives students a broad view of the field, offering them a solid foundation for understanding the industry they plan to enter upon graduation. Students learn from the perspectives of 52 leading professors, professionals, and emerging scholars from the United States, Canada, Brazil, China, and around the globe. Led by new editors, Tyler Tapps and Mary Sara Wells, these experts introduce recreation and leisure foundational concepts, delivery systems, and programming services. Students benefit from the diversity of perspectives and viewpoints from around the world as they learn about the similarities and differences in the industry from an international perspective. The following are new to this edition: • New editors and contributors from around the world, including emerging scholars • Updated data throughout the book • New chapter sections • An expanded chapter on international perspectives on sustainability and ecotourism • Real-world connections to recreation and leisure theories that help students consider career options • A web study guide with On the Job learning activities, a glossary, chapter overviews, article summaries, and recommendations of websites to explore A Strong Foundational Overview Introduction to Recreation and Leisure grounds students in the historical, philosophical, and social aspects of the industry. The authors offer fresh insights into community parks and recreation departments, nonprofit organizations, and commercial recreation and ecotourism enterprises. Students learn about various enriching educational programs and services for people of all ages.

"The text encompasses a variety of services, including recreational sport management, outdoor and adventure recreation, health and wellness, and arts and culture," says Tapps. "It also exposes students to career options and supports them as they explore their interests and prepare for challenging careers in the industry." Text Contents The book is organized into three parts. In part I, students learn about the foundations of recreation and leisure, including the historical, philosophical, and social issues that have shaped the field. Part II explores various sectors of the field, including leisure service delivery systems, public recreation, the nonprofit sector, the for-profit sector (such as event and ecotourism enterprises), and therapeutic recreation, among others. Part III focuses on the programming of recreation and leisure services, including program delivery systems, recreational sport management, outdoor and adventure recreation, the nature of recreation and leisure as a profession, and more. Each chapter includes learning objectives that highlight the chapter's important concepts, as well as an Outstanding Graduates feature that introduces former students who have gone on to successful careers in the field. A glossary of important terms is included in the web study guide and instructor guide, which are part of the ancillary package. Ancillaries The text is supported by an instructor guide, a test package, a PowerPoint presentation package, and a web study guide that contains chapter summaries and learning experiences. These resources make it easier for instructors to prepare for and manage their courses, and they help students retain

what they learn from the text. **Guidance for Students Making Career Choices** This fully updated text, with its insights and perspectives from top professionals and professors from around the globe, opens up the world of recreation and leisure for students, offering them vital information that will help them make informed choices as they move forward in pursuit of careers in this growing field. With its cutting-edge view of recreation and leisure services, **Introduction to Recreation and Leisure** prepares students for success in the field of recreation and leisure.

"Educational researchers, leaders, and practitioners are seeing the increasing need for practical transformative models and theories to address academic, cultural, and socio-economic gaps separating learners at all levels of the educational system. **Applied Critical Leadership in Education** proposes a shift in leadership and a need to transform status quo educational practices. This book explores a leadership model arising from critical theory and critical pedagogy traditions, and provides examples of applied critical leadership, ultimately expanding ways to think about current leadership models. The authors examine qualitative case studies featuring critical leaders in early childhood education, elementary school, middle school, high school, district level, and higher education, and follow with analysis, discussion, and application questions for readers to address. The cases are followed by critical questions for readers, suggestions for readers to begin conversations around issues of social justice and equity, and brief profiles of other critical leaders engaged in leadership for change around the country. This timely book explores an exciting new leadership model in a time of urgency for critical leadership and sustainable change"--

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Brené Brown has taught us what it means to dare greatly, rise strong, and brave the wilderness. Now, based on new research conducted with leaders, change makers, and culture shifters, she's showing us how to put those ideas into practice so we can step up and lead. Look for Brené Brown's new podcast, **Dare to Lead**, as well as her ongoing podcast **Unlocking Us!** **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BLOOMBERG** Leadership is not about titles, status, and wielding power. A leader is anyone who takes responsibility for recognizing the potential in people and ideas, and has the courage to develop that potential. When we dare to lead, we don't pretend to have the right answers; we stay curious and ask the right questions. We don't see power as finite and hoard it; we know that power becomes infinite when we share it with others. We don't avoid difficult conversations and situations; we lean into vulnerability when it's necessary to do good work. But daring leadership in a culture defined by scarcity, fear, and uncertainty requires skill-building around traits that are deeply and uniquely human. The irony is that we're choosing not to invest in developing the hearts and minds of leaders at the exact same time as we're scrambling to figure out what we have to offer that machines and AI can't do better and faster. What can we do better? Empathy, connection, and courage, to start. Four-time #1 New York Times bestselling author Brené Brown has spent the past two decades studying the emotions and experiences that give meaning to our lives, and the past seven years working with transformative leaders and teams spanning the globe. She found that leaders in organizations ranging from small entrepreneurial startups and family-owned businesses to nonprofits, civic organizations, and Fortune 50 companies all ask the same question: How do you cultivate braver, more daring leaders, and how do you embed the value of courage in your culture? In this new book, Brown uses research, stories, and examples to answer these questions in the no-BS style that millions of readers have come to expect and love. Brown writes, "One of the most important findings of my career is that daring leadership is a collection of four skill sets that are 100 percent teachable, observable, and measurable. It's learning and unlearning that requires brave work, tough conversations, and showing up with your whole heart. Easy? No. Because choosing courage over comfort is not always our default. Worth it? Always. We want to be brave with our lives and our work. It's why we're here." Whether you've read **Daring Greatly** and **Rising Strong** or you're new to Brené Brown's work, this book is for anyone who wants to step up and into brave leadership.

This is a key reference guide for the exploration of leisure and outdoor recreation. It reflects the multidisciplinary nature of these fields and contextualizes the leading research and knowledge on key concepts, theories and practices. Edited by leading authorities in the field, this volume includes a comprehensive index, and up-to-date suggestions for further reading. It is an essential resource for teaching, an invaluable companion to independent study, and a solid starting point for wider subject exploration.

Leisure Program Planning and Delivery provides a comprehensive three-step plan for successful programming of leisure services and operational management of program systems in recreation and leisure service organizations. Grounded in contemporary professional practice and real-world applications, the book provides a systematic plan for students to learn the essentials of successful recreation programming, with examples of a variety of activities in community, outdoor, sport, cultural arts, and tourism sectors of the field.

Event management for tourism, cultural, business and sporting events.

Combining expert knowledge, experience and reflections from senior leaders to distil collective leadership experiences, this book explores the realities of leadership at universities rather than the imagined and often-unrealistic expectations and perceptions of how leaders should act. This key text is an informed insider's guide to leadership transitions that will assist talented individuals in considering whether to apply for, how to prepare for and how to take on the task of leading a university. The collection of leadership experiences provided will help universities to be more successful, students to have great educational experiences and staff at all levels to have more-fulfilling working environments. It will also consider how to avoid the emotional pain and suffering that can arise when leaders find themselves poorly equipped, unprepared, unable or unwilling to provide the sound and competent leadership that universities deserve. Centred on the practice and experience of leadership, this book will be a must-read for all new and existing heads of universities. It will also provide useful insights to those actively involved in the recruitment and development of senior leaders, members of senior leadership teams and those who hold governance roles in universities. Further updates and details about the application of the ideas in the book in practice can be found at www.leadershiptransitionsatthetop.com/.

'Leisure and Recreation Management' is essential reading for anyone interested in exploring both the theory and the practicalities of managing leisure and recreational facilities.

Public Relations Leaders as Sensemakers presents foundational research on the public relations profession, providing a current and compelling picture of expanding global practice. Utilizing data from one of the largest studies ever conducted in the field, and representing the perspectives of 4,500 practitioners, private and state-run companies, communication

agencies, government agencies, and nonprofits, this work advances a theory of integrated leadership in public relations and highlights future research needs and educational implications. This volume is appropriate for graduate and advanced undergraduate students in international public relations and communication management, as well as scholars in global public relations, communication management, and business. It is also intended to supplement courses in public relations theory, strategic communication, business management, and leadership development.

Subject Areas: Parks and Recreation Administration People with Disabilities, Inclusion

This is a comprehensive resource for recreation and leisure studies curriculums that presents theoretical and practical content for the professional's role in sports programming as it relates to all recreational organisations and agencies- youth/adult leagues, tournaments, club activity, and drop-in play. With its in-depth look at the delivery of sport programming, this text includes a sound theoretical foundation, detailed sports delivery responsibilities, plus key information regarding resource connections and administrative involvement. It is a practical, hands-on resource for all future professionals.

Used in numerous universities throughout the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, this book provides programming insights for educators, practitioners, and students. The book will present readers with the vital tools necessary in providing successful programs for their patrons.

This book explores the challenges leaders in intelligence communities face in an increasingly complex security environment and how to develop future leaders to deal with these issues. As the security and policy-making environment becomes increasingly complicated for decision-makers, the focus on intelligence agencies 'to deliver' more value will increase. This book is the first extensive exploration of contemporary leadership in the context of intelligence agencies, principally in the 'Five Eyes' nations (i.e. Australia, United States, United Kingdom, Canada, and New Zealand). It provides a grounded theoretical approach to building practitioner and researcher understanding of what individual and organisational factors result in better leadership. Using interviews from former senior intelligence leaders and a survey of 208 current and former intelligence leaders, the work explores the key challenges that leaders will likely face in the twenty-first century and how to address these. It also explores what principles are most likely to be important in developing future leaders of intelligence agencies in the future. This book will be of much interest to students of intelligence studies, strategic studies, leadership studies, security studies, and international relations.

"Group Dynamics in Recreation and Leisure: Creating Conscious Groups Through an Experiential Approach builds skills not only in working in group settings but also in creating and facilitating conscious groups - groups that recognize the personal growth of their members as a main objective." "The book introduces group dynamics theory and current research as it applies to recreation and leisure settings and moves beyond the theory to show students that their understanding of group dynamics can be a meaningful and realistic tool. They'll learn to apply the theory to the practical factors and issues involved in leading and working with conscious groups, including goal setting, decision making and problem solving, ethics and morals, positive communication, and the effects of conflict, power, gender, and environment on group functioning."--BOOK JACKET.

Recognizing that education systems have been temporarily paralyzed in the past and likely will in the future—whether it's because of a natural disaster or a pandemic—this important volume offers critical insights about how schools can effectively carry forward the mission of educating all children even in the face of system turbulence and disruption. Featuring Narratives from expert leaders in urban, rural, and suburban school systems, this book explores important questions about the "new normal" such as the ways in which students can and should learn, how educators can teach and lead effectively, and how schools can carry out important functions beyond their instructional mission. Chapters present inspiring stories of leaders and teachers who have rallied, rebuilt, and problem-solved in face of the pandemic and amid adversity, ultimately providing a roadmap for how it's possible to rebuild and adjust while preserving the fundamental core of education. Full of takeaways and first-hand insights into how systems and their schools faced turbulence, disruption, and adaptation, this book is a must-read for today's educators committed to making a positive impact on the students they have the duty to serve.

This edition probes the importance of leadership in the recreation, parks, and leisure service industry. Integrating theory with practice, the book focuses on a number of interrelated elements that influence leadership in recreation, parks, and leisure service organizations such as theoretical and foundational information, leaders within groups, and leadership within a number of recreation, parks, and leisure service settings.--[book cover]

Get ready to grind! Are you willing to go out there on that field with your face paint and your helmet, up against all adversity? Take it all in this season! Khali Raymond has brought you poetry that'll get you pumped before primetime!

Often requested and fully updated, the 4th edition of *Leadership in Leisure Services: Making a Difference* by Deb Jordan and Ronald Ramsing, includes fully updated chapters with contemporary practices for leadership in the broad field of recreation and parks. In addition, the first two chapters of previous editions (introductory material and leadership theories) have been combined into one chapter; this enhances the flow of material while still setting the stage for understanding leadership as an important construct in our discipline. The text continues to integrate issues of diversity throughout the chapters and includes new information about the impact of microaggressions on participants in a range of recreation settings. Additional emphasis is put on professional practice becoming a recreation and parks professional and continuing professional development are addressed in such a way as to encourage students to view professionalism as a journey rather than an end. Group development is presented using the Tuckman model and social issues have been updated to include the role of professionals in addressing the obesity epidemic as well as bullying and violence. All material has been updated to reflect the current state of research in each topic area. Test questions and PowerPoint presentations for each chapter are included as ancillaries.

With a new full-color design with perforated worksheets, the Tenth Edition of *Kraus' Recreation and Leisure in Modern Society* provides a detailed introduction to the history, developments, and current trends in leisure studies. It addresses contemporary issues facing the recreation and leisure profession and focuses on challenges and opportunities that impact the profession now as well as years from now. Extensive research into emerging trends helps support the text and provide insights into the future.

Focusing on the ten different types of organizations --ranging from nonprofit community organizations and armed forces recreation to sports management and travel and tourism sponsors -- this classic text is an invaluable resource for students considering a career in the recreation and leisure industry. New to the Tenth Edition: - Discusses how specific trends, such as dramatic shifts in

population make-up, the impact of technology, and marketing affect leisure-service systems and the recreation and park professions. - Focus on the role of parks and recreation on the health and wellness of our communities as well as means to combat the obesity epidemic in North America. - Includes new case studies which allow students to apply knowledge of technology in leisure, identify the value and benefits of play, and recognize the changing family structures of our modern society.

Choose a job you love, and you will never work a day in your life. This book offers a tailor-made journey that enables you to match core beliefs and values with professional opportunities in the leisure industry. In this updated edition, leading experts offer insights and details on working in 11 career areas related to recreation, parks, sport management, hospitality, and tourism. After identifying and matching your values with a career area, you may use the final chapter to create a road map to a rewarding career. Unlock the door to your future career in a job you will love with this book.

This book updates and expands Jackson and Burtons "Mapping the Past, Charting the Future" (1989) and "Leisure Studies: Prospects for the Twenty-First Century" (1999). The need to do so was driven by the significant new developments in the leisure studies field as well as the arrival of new and upcoming experts in specific areas of study. The book features new sections on: Disciplinary Perspectives (including chapters on anthropology, history, philosophy, psychology, sociology, biology, and economics of leisure); Cognate Area Perspectives (including chapters on leisure, health, and physical activity; leisure and religion/spirituality; sport as leisure; and tourism); International Perspectives (including chapters on leisure in Africa, Australia and New Zealand, East Asia, Europe, Latin America); Diverse Perspectives (including chapters on leisure in terms of youth, family, older adults, immigrants, racial and ethnic groups, the LGBTQ community; and people with disabilities). Other book chapters focus on leisure theory; leisure, time, and technology; leisure needs, motivations, and constraints; leisure, place, and social capital; leisure planning, marketing, and management; leisure research methods; and the future of the leisure studies field. Approximately 80% of each chapter summarises the current state of that specific leisure concept, topic, or area, while the remaining 20% dares to speculate imaginatively about where it could (and should) proceed in the future. Both summary and speculation are limited to approximately 6,000 words, as chapter authors were instructed to heed French philosopher Blaise Pascals (1656) oft-cited apology that I have only made this letter longer because I have not had the time to make it shorter. While the book maintains the spirit and rigour of Jackson and Burtons earlier books, it also reflects the growth and maturity that has subsequently occurred in the leisure studies field.

Learning to resolve a dilemma ethically is a complex skill that recreation leaders and managers must learn in order to be successful, because they face ethical issues every day. They must ask themselves, "What is the right thing to do in this situation?" "Is my decision ethical for everyone involved?" "How will my decision affect each of the stakeholders--and my career?" Teaching applied ethics requires an understanding of how moral dilemmas can be justly resolved as well as techniques and approaches to accomplish these goals. Issues in Recreation and Leisure: Ethical Decision Making guides students through this complex process of resolving real-life recreation dilemmas by presenting activities, techniques, and a field-tested three-step process. This process helps students develop sound approaches to dealing with contemporary issues in leisure and recreation. In addition, this text contains the following features: -Thematic chapters that address current major issues in recreation management, therapeutic recreation, outdoor recreation, tourism, and culture so that students can comprehend the range of issues in these diverse areas of recreation -Eight case studies based on current dilemmas from a variety of recreation and leisure settings, providing students with valuable practice in applying the three-step method for resolving ethical dilemmas -Learning activities in each chapter that help students apply leisure philosophy to resolve dilemmas Part I explores ethics in leisure services and examines how dilemmas are naturally solved. It covers ethical theory and introduces a three-step method that can be widely applied. Students learn how recreation professionals worked through an actual dilemma and how their problem-solving strategies affect their solutions and their careers. Part II presents real-life dilemmas common to a variety of leisure management areas, ethical issues in therapeutic recreation, and problems in outdoor education. The authors also tackle various issues surrounding tourism, including culture, sex tourism, the natural environment, and virtual tourism. Part III contains a consideration of professionalism in parks and recreation and related fields, a peek into the future, and eight contemporary case studies drawn from leisure services fields. These case studies test students' abilities to apply ethical problem solving by using the three-step method presented earlier in the book. The studies present issues in four major areas of recreation and leisure. Issues in Recreation and Leisure: Ethical Decision Making provides new insights into the recreation and leisure profession. It comes with a flexible format that can be used for one- to three-credit-hour courses in recreation issues. It arms students with the theory and knowledge they need for ethically resolving dilemmas. As such, it prepares them to make a difference as effective leisure service providers.

This book gives the first comprehensive and theoretically substantiated political science account of the Orbán regime in English. It argues that Viktor Orbán's regime-building and reconstructive leadership is more than just an example of hybridisation, a successful populist appeal or a backlash against the earlier neoliberal hegemony in Central Europe. It unfolds the major traits of the Orbán regime and argues that it provides a paradigmatic case of the Weberian model of plebiscitary leader democracy (PLD). Beyond explaining the backslide of liberal democracy in Hungary, the book aims at two additional contributions of wider significance. First, by applying the concept of PLD to the Hungarian case, it reveals that the authoritarian elements are products of an endogenous drive of modern mass democracy. Second, through the glass of PLD, the Orbán regime can be seen as an experimental lab of global trends like mediatisation and personalisation of politics, populist style, the deconsolidation of liberal democratic order, and what is often labelled as "post-truth politics". This book will be of key interest both to scholars and students of Hungary, Post-communist and Central and East European politics and to those interested in populism, democratisation and democratic deconsolidation as a broader trend in a variety of countries.

Revision of: Foundations of therapeutic recreation / Terry Robertson, Terry Long (eds.). 2008.

The "Park and Recreation Professional's Handbook "offers a thorough grounding in all areas of programming, leadership, operations, administration, and professionalism. It integrates foundational concepts, the latest research, and real-world examples to present readers with a complete picture of all of the skills needed for success in the field.

Inclusive Leisure Services, Third Edition encourages leisure services providers to promote inclusion of people with disabilities in their programs. This text will educate future and current leisure services professionals about attitude development and actions that promote positive attitudes about people who have experienced discrimination and segregation. It provides strategies that will facilitate meaningful leisure participation by all participants, while respecting their rights.

Evaluation is a process that each of us uses every day. Professionals in any field of human services must have the means to access and assess information. Having information is not enough, however, unless that information can be applied and used. To organize and manage recreation services (i.e., all elements related to the various specialties in the field such as parks, tourism, sports, arts, therapeutic recreation, camping, event management), information is needed about people's preferences, needs, and behaviors and the programs, administrative structures, and resources that comprise the organizations. To build a body of knowledge and to document the value of recreation, systematic processes are necessary. Evaluation and research can provide information that will enable "enlightened decisions." Evaluating Recreation Services: Making Enlightened Decisions, Fourth Edition, is about systematic evaluation and research that focuses specifically on identifying explicit evaluation criteria or research questions, collecting evidence or data, and making judgments about the value or the worth of something applied to service improvement or knowledge development. This book aims to provide a basic overview and working knowledge of

procedures. Knowing basic steps in evaluation research and having some familiarity with evaluation and research tools can help you to begin a process of lifelong learning about systematic inquiry.

Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services presents cutting-edge guidance and helps students apply their newfound knowledge as they prepare to enter the rapidly changing leisure services field. This text presents fresh insights on leadership from the most prominent voices in the field today. The contributors present a comprehensive look at modern leadership, identify the challenges future leaders will face, and reveal how future leaders can best prepare to meet those challenges. Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services provides • a detailed look at the collaborative approach to leadership in leisure services that represents a new direction in the field; • insight into classical leadership as well as innovative and modern leadership theory and best practices; and • an understanding of the roles and functions students will fulfill as they enter the profession. The material, designed for undergraduate recreation and leisure services leadership courses, is presented in three parts. Part I explores personal leadership issues, including communication skills, negotiation strategies, and leadership styles. Part II delves into professional leadership, examining topics such as group dynamics, supervision practices, and team leadership. Part III explores organizational leadership, including internal and external leadership and professional development. The authors present new theories of leadership from research in the field of recreation and leisure. Several learning aids—including chapter-opening scenarios, key terms, glossary, references, and chapter-ending questions for reflection and discussion—appear throughout the text. In addition, each chapter features a Leisure Leaders sidebar that profiles a leader in the field who addresses preparation for the job, a peek at day-to-day work, and advice for aspiring leaders. And a Best Practices sidebar showcases an organization whose innovative leadership has led to positive organizational outcomes. Leadership in Recreation and Leisure Services helps students understand the range of leadership skills they need to develop for successful careers.

Applied Research and Evaluation Methods in Recreation is the only text that integrates research, evaluation, and basic statistical analysis and links these concepts directly to the field. Using a logical format and accessible language, the book presents students with the foundational knowledge they need to move through the research process.

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For nearly thirty years George Torkildsen's classic textbook has been the most comprehensive and engaging introduction to sport and leisure management available to students at all levels. Now in a fully revised sixth edition, it is still the only textbook that covers all the key topics taught within contemporary sport and leisure management courses. This new edition includes expanded coverage of the practical managerial skills that students must develop if aiming for a career in the sport and leisure industry, from planning and managing people to marketing and entrepreneurship. It includes five completely new chapters on leisure in the home, financial management, quality management and law and enterprise, reflecting important developments in contemporary sport and leisure. This edition retains the hallmark strengths of previous editions, including in-depth discussion of the social and cultural context of sport and leisure, full analysis of the public, private and voluntary sectors, and a review of key products and services, including sport, tourism, the arts, play and leisure in the natural environment. Richly illustrated throughout with up-to-date evidence, data, case-studies and international examples, each chapter also contains a range of useful pedagogical features, such as discussion questions, practical tasks and structured guides to further reading and resources. For the first time, a dedicated companion website offers additional teaching and learning resources for students and lecturers. Visit the companion website at www.routledge.com/textbooks/taylor

Leisure Services Management, Second Edition, prepares students for the challenges they'll face as entry- to mid-level recreation and leisure managers. The book outlines the essential knowledge and skills that successful managers need to have and helps students build those competencies by encouraging them to think as managers. The text's activities, projects, and examples help students connect the competencies to real-world situations. Leisure Services Management begins by presenting a firm foundation of competency-based management. Students will learn what management is, what the manager's role is, and how their work affects their agency and their customers. They will also explore specific management areas such as marketing, financial management, human resources, employee development, communication, and evaluation. Throughout the text, students will be encouraged to apply their own experiences to the concepts being discussed to deepen their understanding of the profession. For each chapter, the authors provide experiential learning activities that simulate real on-the-job situations. Each of these activities asks students to assume one of the many roles of a new manager. They'll learn to deal with day-to-day management activities by completing work assignments and projects similar to those they'll assume as a manager. The activities will help students develop the competencies they'll need in order to meet the challenges of this evolving field. New to this edition of Leisure Services Management are the following student-friendly features: Updated sidebars in which professionals in the field offer early career advice for future managers Real examples from all three sectors—public, nonprofit, and commercial—giving a broad perspective of parks and recreation, tourism, sport, therapeutic recreation, and outdoor recreation International perspectives and examples, encouraging students to think globally Information about the exam for becoming a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) The text also includes a web study guide, which includes links to sample forms from the actual files of leisure managers to assist students in understanding and using important management tools. With an overview of key concepts by chapter, detailed case studies, a glossary, and a competency scorecard, the web study guide will help students build their knowledge of the content area, apply the information learned to their current work environment or a future internship, and prepare for future certifications. The competency-driven approach of Leisure Services Management, Second Edition, assists readers in gaining the knowledge and practicing the skills needed to begin a career in leisure management. Bolstered by the practical information in this text, new managers can contribute to the success of their organization as they enjoy the challenges and rewards of their new position.

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