Outdoor Leadership Certificate

Offered through a collaboration between the departments of Educational Leadership (EDL); Sports Leadership and Management (SLM); and the Outdoor Pursuit Center (OPC) in Recreational Sports, this certificate program is for students interested in pursuing professional or leisure opportunities leading youth or adult learners in outdoor sport or adventure learning excursions or activities. The program will prepare its graduates to assume outdoor leadership roles through classroom and experiential coursework focused on four elements: 1) leadership theory and skills appropriate for outdoor educational contexts; 2) technical and interpersonal skills for outdoor activity/sport leadership; 3) environmental science and sustainability practices; 4) leadership capacities for working with and leading culturally diverse groups of learners.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
EDL 232	Introduction to Community-Based Leadership	3
EDL 290R	Outdoor Leadership	2
OR		
EDL 281	Outdoor Leadership Study Away/Study Abroad	
or TCE 485	Outdoor Leadership in New Zealand	
EDL 340	Internship	2
IES 274	Introduction to Environment and Sustainability	3
Select two of the following:		4
EDL 195	Team Building Development - Facilitation & Group Dynamics	
or TCE 485	Outdoor Leadership in New Zealand	
SLM 150A	Beginning Canoeing	
SLM 150B	Beginning Backpacking	
or TCE 485	Outdoor Leadership in New Zealand	
SLM 150C	Beginning Rock Climbing	
SLM 150K	Intermediate Rock Climbing	
SLM 150M	Mountain Biking	
Total Credit Hours		14

* EDL 281: Outdoor Leadership Study Away/Study Abroad (3 credits) may be substituted for EDL 290R

^{**} TCE 485: Outdoor Leadership in New Zealand (6 credits) may be substituted for the following: EDL 290R, SLM 150B Backpacking, and EDL 195.