

# Recreation & Leisure Studies

## Career Possibilities

*Some options may require further/prior education*

Aquatics Manager	Outdoor Recreation Trip Leader
Campus Recreation Manager	Overnight or Day Camp Director
Community Development Coordinator	Policy Analyst
Community Recreation and/or Sports Coordinator/Director	Recreation Programmer
Festival and Special Event Planner	Therapeutic Recreation Therapist/Specialist
Fundraiser	Rehabilitation Counselor
Inclusion Coordinator	Sport and Recreation Facilities Manager
Marketing Coordinator	Sport Tournament Manager
Non-profit Executive Director	Volunteer Coordinator
Outdoor Education Instructor	



## Positions of Recent Graduates

**Acting National Recreation Coordinator at Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services**

**Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist**  
Rehabilitation Hospital

**Community Recreation Coordinator**

**Manager of Programs**  
Conservation Organization

**Recreation Programmer**  
Camps & Youth

**Recreation Therapist**  
Adult Inpatient Mental Health

**Sport Development Supervisor**  
Recreation Services

**Supervisor**  
Facility Operations



## Degree Specific Skills


- Conduct, analyze and synthesize research
- Conflict resolution
- Group leadership
- Therapeutic assessment procedures
- Networking
- Program implementation & evaluation
- Risk management
- Recognize the value of recreation and leisure in everyday life
- Develop relationships with community groups
- Revenue generation (fees, sponsorships, philanthropy)
- Written and oral communication

## Brock Competencies

*The knowledge, skills and attributes that students develop through their curricular and co-curricular experiences and reflection.*

 Act Innovatively

 Collaborate Effectively


 Practice Intercultural Fluency

 Apply Knowledge


 Communicate Effectively

 Surgite!

 Be Curious

 Engage with Your Community

 Think Critically

 Know Yourself

# Career & Job Search Resources

There are a number of student resources to help you in your career, but with so many career options, it can be overwhelming to know where to look! Consulting job boards on professional associations, government websites, and checking out the Brock CareerZone regularly can be good starting points. In addition, faculty and staff in the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies are willing to chat and connect you to recent alumni as well.

## Professional Associations

**Canadian Parks and Recreation Association**  
cpra.ca

**Canadian Therapeutic Recreation Association**  
canadian-tr.org

**Council of Outdoor Educators of Ontario**  
coeo.org

**National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)**  
nols.edu

**National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification**  
nctrc.org

**Ontario Parks**  
ontarioparks.com

**Parks Canada**  
pc.gc.ca

**Parks and Recreation Ontario**  
prontario.org

**Therapeutic Recreation Ontario**  
trontario.org



## Experience More

**Brock University Ten Thousand Coffees Alumni Mentorship Program**  
brocku.tenthousandcoffees.com

**Brock University Volunteer Association (BUVA)**  
experiencebu.brocku.ca/organization/buva

**CareerZone Student Resources**  
careerzone.brocku.ca > Student Resources

**ExperienceBU**  
experiencebu.brocku.ca

**Experiential Learning Courses at Brock University**  
brocku.ca/ccee/experiential-education/experiential-learning-courses-at-brock

**INCommunities: Niagara's Volunteer Centre**  
niagara.cioc.ca/volunteer

**Leaders of the Day**  
leadersoftheday.com

**Wilderness Medical Associates International**  
wildmed.com

**Ontario Internship Program**  
internship.gov.on.ca

**Ontario Volunteer Centre Network**  
ovcn.ca

**The Boundless School**  
theboundlesschool.com

## Further Education & Entrance Exams

**Brock University Graduate Studies**  
brocku.ca/graduate-studies

**Canadian Universities and College**  
canadian-universities.net

**Graduate School Guide (US & CA)**  
graduateguide.com

**Child Life Studies Program**  
childlife.mcmaster.ca

**Kaplan Test Prep**  
kaptest.com

**National Council on Therapeutic Recreation Certification**  
nctrc.org

**National Outdoor Leadership School**  
nols.edu

**The Princeton Review**  
princetonreview.com

**School Finder**  
schoolfinder.com

## Educational Pathways

**Brock University Recreation & Leisure Program possibilities:**

- Bachelor of Recreation and Leisure Studies to Masters to PhD

 BrockCareerZone

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 careerzone.brocku.ca

 CareerZone Blog

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Co-op, Career & Experiential Education