**Degree Benefits**
The growing amount of leisure time available to Americans places demands upon both the natural resource base and the social framework of our nation. An expanding population, greater amounts of disposable per capita income, vastly improved modes of transportation, longevity, affluence, higher education levels, technology and the increasing propensity on the part of society to live a fuller and richer life has created a demand for parks, recreation and leisure professionals. The parks and recreation management program is accredited by the National Recreation and Park Association, one of fewer than 100 programs in the nation to hold this highly regarded endorsement.

**Job Options**
The parks, recreation and leisure field is one of amazing diversity, including professionals in many areas: federal, state and local governments; nonprofit corporations; industry employee services; military, social and cultural agencies; universities; hospital or clinical corrections; and private/commercial enterprises are all potential employers. Students completing requirements in this major are prepared to assume positions where executive, administrative, supervisory, planning and programming skills are essential. Graduates have established successful careers in a variety of leisure situations, including city and county parks and recreation departments, state and federal parks, natural resource agencies, youth-serving agencies, university and school based recreation programs, entertainment/sport complexes, resorts, athletic and fitness clubs, convention centers, golf and tennis clubs, theme and amusement parks, arenas and stadiums, country clubs, and senior citizen facilities. Students pursuing careers in this exciting field will have the satisfaction of enjoying the actual work experience and environment and will know that they have made a significant contribution to the lives of those they serve.

**Program Goals**
The parks and recreation management program is inspired by Cal U’s core values of integrity, civility and responsibility. To advance the ultimate mission of building the character and careers of students, the parks and recreation management program and the University shall focus their efforts on three goals: student achievement and success, institutional excellence, and community service. These interrelated ends will be facilitated by the following means: high quality faculty, students, programs and facilities for the parks and recreation management program.

**University Resources**
Membership is available in Cal U’s chapter of Rho Phi Lambda fraternity, the professional honor society, for students achieving high scholastic attainment. The Parks and Recreation Society offers all majors opportunities for service-learning and recreational activities. Internships and practicum experiences allowing the student opportunities for experiential learning are required; also, cooperative education experiences can be developed under the sponsorship and guidance of the student’s faculty adviser.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**
PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT
120 CREDITS
The University requires that students earn 120 credit hours for a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Liberal Arts. California University believes that a liberal education is essential for all students, regardless of the profession for which they may be preparing. The goals, objectives and courses that comprise our general education program are designed to provide students with the knowledge, understanding, and skill they will need to pursue their careers and lead productive and rewarding lives.

**Note**
The policies and procedures described here may be reviewed and revised as the need arises. This fact sheet should be used as an information guide. For details on current policies and procedures, contact the chair of the department.
Freshman Year
First Semester .................................................................16 credits
UNI 100 First-Year Seminar ..............................................1 cr.
ENG 101 English Composition I ......................................3 crs.
REC 165 Intro to Recreation & Leisure ................. 3 crs.
Professional Elective .................................................3 crs.
General Education Courses ............................................6 crs.

Second Semester ............................................................15 credits
ENG 102 English Composition II .............................3 crs.
Professional Elective ..................................................3 crs.
General Education Courses ............................................9 crs.

Sophomore Year
Third Semester ...................................................................15 credits
REC 361 Parks & Recreation for Diverse Populations ....3 crs
Professional Electives ..................................................3 crs.
General Education Courses ............................................9 crs.

Fourth Semester ............................................................15 credits
REC 362 Site & Design Management ........................3 crs.
Professional Electives ..................................................3 crs.
General Education Courses ............................................9 crs.

Junior Year
Fifth Semester .................................................................15 credits
REC 365 Recreation Resource Management ...............3 crs.
REC 378 Recreation Management & Leadership ....... 3 crs.
Professional Elective ..................................................3 crs.
General Education Course ..............................................6 crs.

Sixth Semester ...............................................................15 credits
REC 374 Commercial Recreation Management .......... 3 crs.
REC 412 Program Planning & Evaluation ................. 3 crs.
Professional Elective ..................................................3 crs.
General Education Course ..............................................6 crs.

Senior Year
Seventh Semester ...........................................................15 credits
REC 478 Professional Development in Recreation ......... 3 crs.
GEO 474 Developing the Master Plan ..................... 3 crs.
Professional Elective ..................................................9 crs.

Eighth Semester .............................................................15 credits
GEO 479 Internship .....................................................12 crs.
Related Electives ........................................................3 crs.

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• Cal U’s main campus houses academic buildings, dining and recreation facilities, and six suite-style residence halls.
• Cal U’s upper campus includes the Vulcan Village apartments, athletic facilities at Roadman Park, and space for student meetings and outdoor recreation at SAI Farm.
• Cal U Global Online is the University’s virtual campus, offering degree and certificate programs 100% online.

FINANCIAL AID
For information on student loans and undergraduate scholarships, visit www.calu.edu or call 1-888-412-0479.

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