



2008 CURRICULUM ANNOUNCED...

LEISURE DEVELOPMENT COURSE
JUNE 4TH – 8TH Silver Star Mountain Resort

In its 33rd year, the **Leisure Development Course**, continues to be one of Western Canada's premiere education opportunities, providing park, recreation and culture and community development personnel with innovative leadership, management and professional growth instruction. Presented by a faculty from varied fields including business, public administration, recreation and parks, and academia, students receive timely information and innovative tools in order to improve personal development and, in turn, the parks and recreation system in their respective community.

In 2008 the **Leisure Development Course** will be held from **June 4th – 8th** utilizing the lecture facilities and accommodation at Silver Star Mountain Resort. As the program is limited to forty students accepted on a first-come, first-served basis registrants are encouraged to send their application in early. A student may enter at any year convenient to the individual. Registration details will be released February 2008. If you would like more information on our program or to be placed on our preferential mailing list please reply to cnelson48@shaw.ca.

2008 CURRICULUM – YEAR TWO

Facility Planning – Quality from the Beginning

The planning, building, developing and operating of public recreation facilities rests mainly with the municipal recreation agency. Adequate planning has become the concern of every community and is particularly urgent because of increased demand and costs for these facilities. This session provides practical terms and guidelines to assist the recreation professional with the task of setting standards and of planning for public recreation facilities. *Instructor: Brian Quiring, MAIBC Principal, MQN Architects, Vernon BC*

Community Development through Recreation

Community development is part of a newer role for the recreation profession. Through a community development approach, the recreation professional can assist in the development of responsible citizens, volunteerism, personal well-being, community awareness and, in turn, a healthy living environment. *Instructor: Dr. Edward Udd, Chair Recreation, Parks & Tourism Studies, Radford University, Virginia*

Designing for Risk Management

As recreation departments provide programs and facilities for their residents not surprisingly, an increase in facility use and sponsored activities increases the likelihood of accidents and claims. This session provides the student with an understanding of risk and hands on information we should work to in order to minimize risk within department operations. *Instructor: Ian McGregor, PhD., Principal, McGregor & Associates, Vancouver BC*

Open Space Planning

From parks, sports fields, and off-street bikeways, to community and neighborhood playgrounds, water parks, picnic areas, dog parks, skate parks, and recreation facilities, we have one goal in mind: To Create Better Places to Play. Creating better places begins with strong creative vision, as well balancing competing interests with knowledge, skills and experience to create projects that contribute to the community's long-term quality of life. *Instructor: Fiona Chamberlain, MA [Hon.] MBCSLA Outland Design Landscape Architects, Kelowna BC*

About the Program

The three-year **Leisure Development Course** addresses the trends and issues of the field offering a unique blend of practical and theoretical information, while challenging participants to engage in new ways of thinking about their roles as parks and recreation professionals and community leaders. Each year consists of a 26 to 30 hour program of intense classroom instruction as well as related correspondence assignments. The curriculum is developed along three core development disciplines; *personal [the individual], community [the department] and planning [the facilities]*, and designed to equip park, recreation and culture employees with the skills, innovative tools and techniques for personal and professional development to enhance parks and recreation services in your community.

Who Should Attend

Leisure Development Course provides targeted learning opportunities specifically for directors, managers, supervisors, facility personnel, culture and recreation specialists, park managers, aquatics personnel, recreation programmers as well as individuals interested in the profession.

The Leisure Development Course is sponsored by TASK Construction Management and endorsed by the British Columbia Recreation & Parks Association and Recreation Facilities Association of British Columbia.

