NVCC COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
RPK 141 – LEADERSHIP AND SUPERVISION (3 CR.)

Course Description

Introduces leadership and supervision in the leisure services industry. Assesses leadership styles, traits, and leadership theories and provides the opportunity for students to assess their own individual styles. Addresses group dynamics, conflict, and issues relating specifically to leadership of volunteers. Includes a leadership practicum. Lecture 2 hours. Laboratory 2 hours. 4 hours total per week.

General Course Purpose

The goal for the course is to provide the student with working tools, strategies and resources necessary to be effective and successful leaders. An effort will be made to make the presentation of this material specific to the student’s interests in recreational activities and/or employment within the industry. Students will take leadership and personality batteries.

Course Prerequisites/Co-requisites

None

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

- Apply leadership skills and exhibit a commitment to quality leadership.
- Provide leadership in a variety of recreational settings.
- Understand the concepts of leadership styles and origin of leadership power.
- Understand the importance of time management, communication skills and professionalism.
- Evaluate the effects of creating cooperative and strategic alliances external to and within the recreation industry.
- Prepare (including written activity goals/objectives) and lead an instructional activity.
- Identify leadership traits and qualities and describe how individual personality traits affect leadership abilities.
- Outline concepts of supervision and volunteer management.

Major Topics to be Included

a. Leadership Inventories
b. Overview of supervision and volunteer management
c. Legal issue related to supervision
d. Group dynamics
e. Conflict resolution
f. Group initiative games