

# Guide to Identifying Suitable Careers

	Related Job Titles	Work Settings	Related Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities	Typical Leisure Activities
1. Public Recreation and Government Agencies	■ Activity leader, Adventure leader, Aquatic specialist, Arts & craft director, Athletic supervisor, Camp counselor, Camp director, Camp program planner, Community center director, Cultural arts director, Curator, Day camp and playground leader, Director of parks and recreation, Environmental educator, Environmental interpreter, Facilities coordinator, Forest ranger, Forest technician, Forester, Greenways coordinator, Interpreter, Municipal park and recreation director, Museum director, Natural resource specialist, Nature center director, Outdoor education coordinator, Outdoor program developer, Outdoor resource manager, Park and recreation director, Park manager, Park naturalist, Park planner, Park police, Park ranger, Pool director, Prison recreation specialist, Recreation center director, Recreation leader, Recreation program coordinator, Recreation program supervisor, Recreation programmer, Recreation specialist, Residential camp resource manager, School community coordinator, Superintendent of wildlife managers, Wilderness expedition tracker, Wilderness trip leader, Youth activities director, Zoo programmer	■ Aquatic centers, Aquariums, Army Corps of Engineers, Camps, Community recreation centers, Correctional facilities, County parks, Departments of natural resources, Federal government, Forests, Gardens, Golf courses, Historical sites, Local parks, Municipal governments, Museums, National forests, National parks, National Park Service, State governments, State parks, Zoos, US Fish and Wildlife, US Forest Service	■ Business, Camp administration, Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Ecology, Environmental education, Environmental sciences, Facilities and park maintenance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Hiring and supervising staff, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Managing park wildlife, Marketing, Organizing activities and events, Outdoor leadership, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Planning for facility development, Preparing budgets, Program planning, Public policy, Public relations, Resource management, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Visitor safety, Working with boards and community groups, Working with children	■ Adventure sports, Archery, Attending fairs and festivals, Boating, Camping, Canoeing, Cycling, Fishing, Fitness activities, Gardening, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Nature walks, Outdoor recreation activities, Overnight camping, Painting, Playing sports, Scuba diving, Sculpting, Singing, Skiing, Snowmobiling, Swimming, Team sports, Traveling, Visiting museums, Water skiing

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2. Nonprofit Leisure Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Related job titles: Aquatics director, Aquatic specialist, Assistant director, Camp director, Childcare director, Church youth coordinator, Community sports and athletics director, Coordinator, Director, Education specialist, Facilities director/manager, Family program director, Fitness director, Fitness specialist, Membership director, Mind/body fitness director, Program coordinator, Program director, Recreation center director, Special events coordinator, Sports and fitness director, Volunteer coordinator, Wellness director, Youth activities director, Youth sports program director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work settings: 4-H Clubs, American Camping Association, American Red Cross, Boy/Girl Scouts, Boy's/Girl's Clubs, Camp Fire Boys and Girls, Catholic youth organizations, Children's Aid Society, Jewish community centers, Police Athletic League, Special Olympics, YMCA/YWCA, YMHA/YWHA, Youth camps</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attention to detail, Business skills, Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Entrepreneurship, Event planning, Event security, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, Fundraising, General recreation programming, Grant writing, Human relations, Initiative, Interpersonal skills, Leadership, Leadership activities, Marketing, Membership sales, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Program planning, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Sport instruction, Supervising employees, Working with children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult sports/ leagues, Adventure sports, Aerobics, Archery, Banquets, Basketball, Billiards, Boating, Bowling, Camping, Charity events, Dancing, Exercising, Family activities, Fishing, Fitness activities, Gardening, Golf, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Overnight camping, Roller skating, Running, Scuba diving, Skiing, Softball, Special events, Swimming, Team sports, Volleyball, Volunteer coaching</li> </ul>
3. Commercial Recreation Businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity coordinator, Adventure travel coordinator, Amenity manager, Aquatic specialist, Aquatics director, Bowling center manager, Business manager, Camp director, Club manager, Club program manager, Condo social director, Convention coordinator, Corporate fitness director, Corporate fitness instructor, Country club manager, Cruise ship activity director, Cruise ship recreation director, Cruise ship youth coordinator, Director, Facilities director/manager, Fitness program manager, Fitness specialist, General manager, Golf pro, Group sales manager, Guest services coordinator, Ice arena manager, Operations manager, Personnel manager, Pool director, President, Program supervisor, Recreation director, Reservation agent, Resort manager, Sales representative, Sightseeing guide, Social director, Spa director, Special events coordinator, Tennis director, Tennis pro, Theme park program coordinator, Tour director, Travel clerk, Trip guide, Wellness program coordinator, Yacht club manager, Youth activities director, Youth program director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adventure outfitters, Amusement parks, Apartment complexes, Aquariums, Arenas, Art galleries, Auditoriums, Ballet schools, Billiards centers, Boat centers, Bowling centers, Campgrounds and RV parks, Carnivals, Casinos, Charter boats, Civic centers, Convention centers, Country clubs, Cruise ships, Cultural arts, Drive-in movies, Fairs, Family entertainment centers, Festivals, Fitness clubs, Golf courses, Gun clubs, Health and fitness centers, Health clubs, Hotels, Malls, Marinas, Miniature golf, Movie theatres, Nightclubs, Party services, Performing arts centers, Race tracks, Racquet clubs, Racquet courts, Residential communities, Resorts, Restaurants, Roller rinks, Senior retirement communities, Skateboard parks, Ski resorts, Spas, Sport camps, Sports complexes, Stadiums, Tennis centers, Tennis clubs, Theme sports, Tour bus lines, Travel agencies, Video games, Virtual reality centers, Visitors bureaus, Water theme parks, Wineries, Yacht clubs, Zoos</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adaptability, Attention to detail, Business skills, Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Diversity training, Entrepreneurship, Event security, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, Food and beverage concessions, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Marketing, Membership sales, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Sales and merchandizing, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Stability, Supervising employees, Technology, Vision, Working with children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adventure sports, Aerobics, Antique shopping, Archery, Billiards, Boating, Bowling, Camping, Cruises, Cycling, Dancing, Exercising, Fishing, Fitness activities, Gambling, Gardening, Golf, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Karate, Massage therapy, Movies, Overnight camping, Roller skating, Running, Scuba diving, Shopping, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Traveling, Video games, Visiting museums, Weightlifting, Wine tasting, Yoga</li> </ul>

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4. Armed Forces Recreation	■ Afloat recreation specialist, Aquatic specialist, Athletic supervisor, Club manager, Fitness coordinator, Fitness specialist, MWR director, Recreation center director, Recreation specialist, Special events coordinator, Sports specialist, Youth activities director	■ Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine, Navy	■ Adaptability, Attention to detail, Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Diversity training, Facilities management, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Marketing, Military experience, Motivational skills, Organizing activities and events, Patience, People skills, Program planning, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Supervising employees, Working with children	■ Adventure sports, Aerobics, Archery, Baseball, Billiards, Boating, Bowling, Camping, Cycling, Exercising, Fishing, Fitness activities, Flag football, Golf, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Karaoke, Karate, Outdoor recreation activities, Overnight camping, Physical fitness, Roller skating, Running, Scuba diving, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Traveling, Video games, Weightlifting, Yoga
5. Employee Services and Recreation	■ Aquatics coordinator, Business coordinator, Club manager, Corporate fitness director, Corporate fitness instructor, Facilities manager, Fitness coordinator, Fitness specialist, General manager, Program manager, Recreation coordinator, Recreation manager, Recreation specialist, Special events coordinator	■ Businesses, Companies, Corporations, Industries	■ Customer service skills, Event planning, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Interpersonal skills, Leadership activities, Marketing, Membership sales, Networking, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Program planning, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Sport Instruction, Sport rules	■ Aerobics, Baseball, Billiards, Boating, Cycling, Exercising, Fishing, Fitness activities, Flag football, Golf, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Karate, Outdoor recreation activities, Roller skating, Running, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Traveling, Weightlifting
6. Campus Recreation	■ Aquatic specialist, Aquatics director, Assistant director, Athletic supervisor, Club sports coordinator, Event coordinator, Facilities director, Facilities manager, Fitness specialist, Fitness/wellness coordinator, Golf pro, Ice arena manager, Intramural director, Officials coordinator, Outdoor recreation coordinator, Personal trainer, Pool director, Recreation center director, Recreational sport director, Special events coordinator, Sports instructor, Sports specialist, Strength and Conditioning coordinator, Tournament coordinator, Volunteer coordinator, Wellness director, Youth activities director, Youth sport coordinator	■ Community colleges, 2-year colleges, 4-year universities	■ Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Event planning, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Interpersonal skills, Knowledge of sport rules and regulations, Leadership activities, Marketing, Organizational skills, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Program planning, Programming multiple events, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Sport instruction, Sport rules, Time management skills, Tournament scheduling	■ Adventure sports, Aerobics, Baseball, Billiards, Boating, Bowling, Cycling, Exercising, Fishing, Fitness activities, Flag football, Golf, Group exercise, Group outings, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Karate, Outdoor recreation activities, Physical fitness, Roller skating, Running, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Weightlifting, Yoga

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7. Private Membership Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Aquatic specialist, Club manager, Country club director of programming, Event coordinator, Facilities director/manager, Fitness specialist, Golf pro, Pool director, Recreation center director, Spa director, Special events coordinator, Yacht club manager, Youth activities director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Country club, Health and fitness centers, Country clubs, Fitness clubs, Golf courses, Gun clubs, Health and fitness centers, Health clubs, Marinas, Racquet clubs, Racquet courts, Resorts, Ski resorts, Spas, Tennis centers, Yacht clubs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Attention to detail, Business skills, Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Marketing, Networking, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Working with children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Boating, Camping, Cruises, Exercising, Fitness activities, Golf, Golf outings, Hunting, Running, Sailing, Skiing, Spas, Swimming, Team sports, Tennis, Wine tasting, Yachting, Yoga</li> </ul>
8. Therapeutic Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Activity director, Activity therapist, Adaptive instructor, Client facilitator, Clinical director, Juvenile worker, Leisure education counselor, Program coordinator, Recreation director, Recreational therapist, Special Olympics sports coordinator, Specialized activity coordinator, Therapeutic recreation assistant, Therapeutic recreation specialist, Volunteer coordinator, Wellness director</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Chemical dependence programs, Community mental health centers, Community recreation centers, Correctional facilities, Day treatment programs, Drug and alcohol treatment centers, Geriatric care facilities, Group homes, Hospices, Hospitals, Long-term care centers, Mental health centers, Nursing Homes, Pediatric hospitals, Psychiatric hospitals, Rehabilitation centers, Retirement centers, Schools, Senior centers, Youth and adult correctional centers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Adaptability, Attention to detail, Communication skills, Creativity, Dance therapy, Diversity training, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Marketing, Massage therapy, Music therapy, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Program development, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Working with children, Working with different disabilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Camping, Fitness activities, Outdoor recreation activities, Overnight camping, Physical fitness, Relaxation techniques, Sports, Therapeutic activities, Volunteering, Yoga</li> </ul>
9. Recreational Sports Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Aquatics director, Aquatic specialist, Athletic supervisor, Club manager, Community sports and athletics director, Corporate fitness director, Corporate fitness instructor, Cruise ship activity director, Cruise ship recreation director, Cruise ship youth coordinator, Director of competition, Event coordinator, Facilities manager, Fitness specialist, Golf pro, Ice arena manager, Outdoor recreation coordinator, Personal trainer, Pool director, Prison recreation specialist, Special events coordinator, Sport equipment salesperson, Sports instructor, Sports specialist, Strength and conditioning coordinator, Tournament coordinator, Venue operations coordinator, Volunteer coordinator, Waterpark/aquatics manager, Youth activities director, Youth sports coordinator</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Amateur Sport Agencies, Aquatic Facilities, Arenas, Correctional Facilities, Country Clubs, Cruise Ships, Fitness Center, Fitness Clubs, Golf Courses, Gun Clubs, Health And Fitness Centers, Health Clubs, Ice Arenas, Marinas, Racquet Clubs, Racquet Courts, Resorts, Ski Resorts, Spas, Sport Arenas, Sport Associations / Governing Bodies, Stadiums, Tennis Centers, Tennis Clubs, Yacht Clubs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Communication skills, Creativity, Customer service skills, Event planning, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, General recreation programming, Human relations, Initiative, Interpersonal skills, Knowledge of sport rules and regulations, Leadership, Leadership activities, Marketing, Organizational skills, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Personnel management, Program planning, Programming multiple events, Public relations, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Sport communication, Sport instruction, Sport rules, Time management skills, Tournament scheduling, Working with children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Aerobics, Baseball, Billiards, Boating, Bowling, Camping, Cycling, Exercising, Fishing, Fitness activities, Flag football, Golf, Group exercise, Group outings, Hiking, Hunting, Ice skating, Jogging, Karate, Outdoor recreation activities, Playing sports, Roller skating, Running, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Watching sports on TV, Weightlifting, Yoga</li> </ul>

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10. Tourism, Travel, and Event Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Activity coordinator, Adventure travel coordinator, Concert promoter, Convention coordinator, Convention planner, Cruise ship activity director, Cruise ship recreation director, Cruise ship youth coordinator, Director, Ecotourism operator, Event and meeting planner, Event coordinator, Event planner, Festival director, Front office manager, General manager, Guest services coordinator, Hotel manager, Hotel recreation manager, Manager, Operations manager, Personnel manager, President, Program supervisor, Recreation director, Reservation agent, Resort manager, Restaurant manager, Sales and marketing director, Sales manager, Sightseeing guide, Social director, Spa director, Special events coordinator, Theme park program coordinator, Tour director, Tour guide, Tour operator, Tourism marketing coordinator, Travel agent, Travel clerk, Travel planner, Trip guide, Youth activities director, Youth program director</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Adventure outfitters, Amusement parks, Arenas, Art galleries, Auditoriums, Campgrounds, Carnivals, Casinos, Charter boats, Civic centers, Concerts, Convention centers, Country clubs, Cruise ships, Cultural arts, Fairs, Festivals, Hotels, Malls, Motels, Nightclubs, Party services, Resorts, Restaurants, Ski resorts, Spas, Stadiums, Tennis centers, Theme parks, Timeshare condominiums, Tour bus lines, Transportation industry, Travel agencies, Visitor bureaus, Water theme parks, Yacht clubs</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Adaptability, Attention to detail, Business skills, Communication skills, Computer reservation and ticketing systems, Creativity, Customer service skills, Diversity training, Event security, Facilities management, Finance, Flexibility, Food and beverage concessions, Foreign languages, Front desk and reservation system, General recreation programming, Global awareness, Housekeeping management, Human relations, Initiative, Leadership, Marketing, Meeting and conference planning, Organizing activities and events, Outgoing personality, Patience, People skills, Public relations, Real estate, Self-confidence, Self-motivation, Working with children</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Adventure sports, Amusement parks, Antique shopping, Boating, Camping, Concerts, Cruises, Festivals, Fishing, Gambling, Golf, Hiking, Overnight camping, Parades, Planning family recreational activities, Shopping, Skiing, Swimming, Team sports, Tradeshow, Traveling, Vacations, Visiting museums, Water parks</li></ul>