BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN SPORT MANAGEMENT AND A MAJOR CONCENTRATION IN SPORT LAW

Program Learning Outcomes for the BA Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law

Upon completing the BA Degree with a major in Sport Management and a major concentration in Sport Law, students will be able to:

1. Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
2. Develop and hone professional skills through classroom learning, experiential learning, and field research through a steady progression of internships.
3. Demonstrate the ability to produce a marketing plan specific to product in the sport industry.
4. Demonstrate the ability to utilize and communicate legal concepts as they relate to the sport industry, such as risk management, governing bodies, and ethics.

Requirements for the BA Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law

For general university requirements, see Graduation Requirements (https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/). Students pursuing the BA degree with a major in Sport Management must complete:

- A minimum of 15 courses (45-48 credit hours, depending on course selection) to satisfy major requirements.
- A minimum of 120 hours to satisfy degree requirements.
- A minimum of 9-10 courses (27-32 credit hours), depending on major concentration declared, taken at the 300-level or above.
- A maximum of 6 courses (18 credit hours) from study abroad or transfer credit after matriculation at Rice may be applied towards specific major requirements. For additional departmental guidelines regarding transfer credit, see the Policies tab.

The requirements of a major concentration. When students declare the major (https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-opportunities/majors-minors-certificates/#text) in Sport Management, students must additionally identify and declare one of two major concentrations, either in:

- Sport Law (p. 1): designed to prepare our graduates for management, leadership, and entrepreneurial roles within the sport industry.
- Sport Leadership (https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/social-sciences/sport-management/sport-management-ba-leadership-concentration/#requirementstext) designed to prepare our graduates for management, leadership, and entrepreneurial roles within the sport industry.

Because of the common core requirements, it is possible for students to change their major concentration at any time, even after initially declaring the major. To do so, please contact the Office of the Registrar (registrar@rice.edu).

The courses listed below satisfy the requirements for this major. In certain instances, courses not on this official list may be substituted upon approval of the major’s academic advisor, or where applicable, the department’s Director of Undergraduate Studies. (Course substitutions must be formally applied and entered into Degree Works by the major’s Official Certifier (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/).) Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

Summary

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Degree Requirements

Core Requirements

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Major Concentration

Select 1 from the following Major Concentrations (see below for Major Concentration requirements):

- Sport Law
- Sport Leadership

Additional Credit Hours to Complete Degree Requirements * 41-44

* Students must complete at least 120 credit hours to satisfy degree requirements.
Footnotes and Additional Information

*Note: University Graduation Requirements include 31 credit hours, comprised of Distribution Requirements (Groups I, II, and III), FWIS, and LPAP coursework. In some instances, courses satisfying FWIS or distribution requirements may additionally meet other requirements, such as the Analyzing Diversity (AD) requirement, or some of the student’s declared major, minor, or certificate requirements. Additional Credit Hours to Complete Degree Requirements include general electives, coursework completed as upper-level, residency (hours taken at Rice), and/or any other additional academic program requirements.

**Major Concentration: Sport Law**

Students must complete a total of 5 courses (15 credit hours) as listed below to satisfy the requirements for the major concentration in Sport Law.

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**Elective Requirements**

Select 4 courses from the following: 12

- BUSI 422 NEGOTIATIONS AND DECISION MAKING
- ECON 239 LAW AND ECONOMICS
- HIST 332 AMERICAN LEGAL HISTORY, 1863 TO THE PRESENT
- HIST 426 DISABILITY AND U.S. LAW
- HIST 449 LAW IN THE DIGITAL WORLD
- HUMA 309 ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE
- HUMA 315 COMMUNICATION LAW
- PHIL 373 PHILOSOPHY OF LAW
- PHIL 470 ADVANCED TOPICS IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
- PLST 305 INTRODUCTION TO LAW
- PLST 306 THE RIVER AND THE WALL: LAW OF BORDERS AND MIGRATION
- PLST 307 INTELLECTUAL FOUNDATIONS OF AMERICAN LAW
- PLST 331 CRIME IN THE U.S.
- PLST 401 LEGAL PRACTICUM
- PLST 402 JUDICIAL PRACTICUM
- POLI 319 WORLD LEGAL SYSTEMS
- POLI 321 AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: STRUCTURES AND POWERS
- POLI 323 AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: CIVIL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES
- SMGT 464 ADVANCED SPORT LAW
- SOCI 325 SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

#### Policies for the BA Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law

**Program Restrictions and Exclusions**

Students pursuing the BA Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law should be aware of the following program restrictions:

- Students pursuing the major in Sport Management may pursue only one major concentration within the major.

**Transfer Credit**

For Rice University's policy regarding transfer credit, see Transfer Credit. Some departments and programs have additional restrictions on transfer credit. The Office of Academic Advising maintains the university's official list of transfer credit advisors on their website: https://oaa.rice.edu. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic program's transfer credit advisor when considering transfer credit possibilities.

**Departmental Transfer Credit Guidelines**

Students pursuing the major in Sport Management should be aware of the following departmental transfer credit guidelines:

- No more than 6 courses (and a maximum of 18 credit hours) of transfer credit from U.S. or international universities of similar standing as Rice may apply towards specific major requirements after matriculation at Rice.
- Requests for transfer credit will be considered by the program director (and/or the program's official transfer credit advisor) on an individual case-by-case basis.

**Please Note:** Additional transfer courses may count toward meeting university graduation requirements, but not toward fulfillment of requirements for the major. Credits awarded to transfer students for courses taken prior to matriculation at Rice are not counted against the departmental limit on transfer courses, but all students must complete more than half of their upper-level major coursework (300-level and 400-level courses) at Rice.

**Additional Information**

For additional information, please see the Sport Management website: https://sport.rice.edu/.

**Opportunities for the BA Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law**

**Academic Honors**

The university recognizes academic excellence achieved over an undergraduate's academic history at Rice. For information on university honors, please see Latin Honors (https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/) (summa cum laude, magna cum

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**University Graduation Requirements**

- Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree with a Major in Sport Management and a Major Concentration in Sport Law
- Total Credit Hours 120
cum laude, and cum laude) and Distinction in Research and Creative Work (https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/). Some departments have department-specific Honors awards or designations.

**Internships**
Students are required to complete at least one internship prior to graduation, often with one of the professional teams in Houston (Rockets, Astros, Texans, Dynamo, etc.). Students also will receive networking and out-of-class developmental training, as these play a significant role in obtaining high-profile positions in collegiate and professional sports.

Students pursuing the major concentration in Sport Law are encouraged to enroll in PLST 401 and/or PLST 402 in order to receive out-of-class developmental training.

**Additional Information**
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