

BSE521 Risk Management and Legal Aspects in Outdoor Education

Level: 5

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

Synopsis:

BSE521 Risk Management and Legal Aspects in Outdoor Education introduces students to the various concepts and approaches in risk management, and the closely linked legal aspects that are important to organisations conducting outdoor adventure activities. Students will be exposed to various models and approaches to risk management – from the traditional view of managing physical risks to the more updated ‘whole-of-organisation’ approach of managing risks in various areas of the organisation. Legal aspects in outdoor education not only identify an area of risk to be managed but also provides greater clarity of the risk management standard expected of outdoor education service providers by stakeholders. Students will be introduced to fundamental legal terminology, legal procedures, liability limiting agreements, defences against negligence, among others, during the seminars. While being cognizant of the legal context in which outdoor adventure activities operate, the ability to execute the risk management process for the whole-of-organisation level and translate it to specific programme level enables the organisation to be more sustainable.

Topics:

- Risk, Adventure, and Risk Management
- Risk assessment
- Traditional models of risk management and theories of accident causation
- Whole-of-organisation approach to risk management
- Organisational Sustainability and Risk Management
- Risk management standard ISO 31000: 2018
- Duty of Care, Breach of Standard of Care, Causation and Damages
- Negligence – breach of duty of care and other conditions
- Liability – Vicarious, Products, Premises, Co-participant
- Defenses against negligence
- Release and Waiver Agreement
- Role of Insurance in Legal Liability Matters

Learning Outcome:

- Formulate personal philosophy of risk management in outdoor education.
- Examine traditional models of, and ‘whole-of-organisation’ approach to, risk management.
- Examine organisational sustainability in relation to risk management in outdoor education.
- Develop understanding of the intent and scope of release and waiver agreements
- Develop understanding of the role of insurance in legal liability matters.
- Evaluate risk factors (e.g. people, environmental, equipment) in outdoor education.
- Compose a risk management plan at either the organisational or programme level.
- Evaluate legal implications of negligence and breach of standard care.
- Evaluate processes of defense against negligence.
- Compose release and waiver agreement.

Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	15
	GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT 1	35
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
Total		100