About this Practicum in Sport and Recreation Management

University of Iowa students in the Kids on Course practicum get the opportunity to engage in strategic consulting projects and interactive enrichment events with Cedar Rapids youth through a semester-long, three-credit hour class.

Practicum participants will design and organize positive, activity-based experiences for the Kids on Course students during select Tuesday class-time meetings in Iowa City and Cedar Rapids. In addition, UIowa students will conduct research in small teams throughout the term and present recommendations to Kids on Course staff. An interest in studying leadership-related topics to support the growth and development of Kids on Course youth through effective student-centered program administration is desired.

Students from any major are encouraged to apply. For individuals seeking a degree in Sport and Recreation Management, the Kids on Course practicum counts toward field experience requirements for graduation. Please see the accompanying details about the course and the application process for more information.

About Kids on Course

Kids on Course, a program that operates in coordination with the Cedar Rapids Community School District, is funded by the Zach Johnson Foundation. A primary goal of the nonprofit organization is to support Cedar Rapids youth in pursuing paths toward post-secondary education.

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For priority consideration, email application materials to kara-kehe@uiowa.edu by Friday, October 19, 2018.
Spring 2019 Kids on Course Guided Field Experience

Course Details

The class meets weekly, and student teams are expected to plan additional work times to advance small group projects. Individuals should express formal interest in the practicum—as outlined below—by October 19, 2018, and those selected will be notified by email to register for SRM:4197:0015. A course fee of approximately $100 will be added to one’s U-Bill.

Application Process

Energetic and organized UIowa students from any major who are eager to explore leadership concepts and could serve as role models to help youth establish a comfort level with a college campus and its programs have the potential to contribute to the Kids on Course practicum. In particular, aspiring sports coaches, interscholastic activities administrators, physical education teachers, and recreation program facilitators are encouraged to consider this opportunity.

Similar to the job-seeking process, University of Iowa students are required to apply for a spot with a cover letter and résumé due to limited class size. Application materials should address:

- motivation for taking the course
- relevant academic projects and co-curricular experiences
- qualities that will contribute to individual and group success

A student’s GPA, coursework, and other pertinent background information may be reviewed as part of screening and selection. Students who are 1) in pursuit of, eligible for, or already possess a Coaching Authorization; 2) taking classes toward the university’s AD Certificate; or 3) enrolled in teacher education should highlight their preparation for these career paths.

Instructor Information

Kara Kehe, Lecturer in Sport and Recreation Management (SRM), is the instructor for the Kids on Course practicum. Within SRM, Kara teaches two foundation courses, leads the online Ethics in Sport class, and helps coordinate the Coaching Authorization program. Contact Kara via email at kara-kehe@uiowa.edu or call 319-384-4621 with questions.

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