

## Research Methods in Parks, Recreation and Community Services, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

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### Purpose:

In 1999, I published a book “Research Methods in Park, Recreation and Leisure Services” through Sagamore Publishing (the longest established publisher of books and journals in parks and recreation). Early on, the book was very popular with both undergraduate and graduate courses. The book continues to be used for classroom use today, however it is in need of a major revision. The publisher has asked for a revision and update to the book. The revision will include information on community services.

### Contributing to Student Success:

The current text is used in evaluation and research methods courses at the undergraduate and graduate level in the field of parks, recreation and tourism. The book is also used as a resource for graduate thesis and dissertation work. In addition, our accreditation process requires that students understand and are able to conduct program evaluations, community needs assessments and basic research methodologies for practice. The book on research methods in park, recreation, and leisure services uses a practical and applied approach for both the student and practitioner.

### Timeline:

During the spring of 2016, I completed the following tasks which represents approximately 60% of the book update. The remaining tasks would be completed during the summer and fall of 2016.

TASK	January	February	March	April	May	Summer/Fall
References identified, located and updated						
Revise existing figures, tables						
Develop new figures and tables						
Quotes from new references inserted into text						
Reorganize chapters using the new book outline						

Revise, update and add new text						
Develop Teaching Guide						
Submit Draft to Publisher						