### Special Notes:
- This is a suggested curriculum guide and might not be applicable to every student.
- Courses that include ‘GE’ are required classes that are in the major AND fulfill a General Education requirement.
- *Courses marked with an asterisk are TR electives. Students are required to take a minimum of two TR electives.
- Two (2) Supplemental Writing Skills (SWS) courses are required.
- Student must have a **minimum of 120 credits** to graduate with **58 of the 120 credits** being from a senior level institution and the **final 30 of the 120 credits** completed at GVSU.

The Therapeutic Recreation (TR) undergraduate major resides in the College of Health Professions (CHP)

**For more information or to meet with a CHP Student Services academic advisor please call (616) 331-5900**

Visit our website at [www.gvsu.edu/chpss](http://www.gvsu.edu/chpss) and the TR website at [www.gvsu.edu/tr](http://www.gvsu.edu/tr)
Application Process for Therapeutic Recreation

The admissions process for Therapeutic Recreation consists of three phases. These phases are outlined below:

**Phase I**
Phase I consists of having the following prerequisites met or being currently enrolled at the time of application. The prerequisites are:
- Overall GPA of 2.7 or above
- PSY 101 Introductory Psychology
- BIO 120 General Biology I
- CHM 109 Introductory Chemistry

**Phase II**
Phase II consists of the actual application process. The application consists of the following components, all of which must be completed and submitted by March 1st, prior to the intended fall entry. Applications are available in the College of Health Professions office or online at www.gvsu.edu/tr.

- Completed Therapeutic Recreation application
- Autobiographical sketch
- Statement of professional goals
- Verification of fifty (50) hours of volunteer or paid work in a therapeutic setting
  - Use “Verification of Volunteer/Paid work in Therapeutic Settings” form
  - Brief descriptions of paid/volunteer work using “Paid/Volunteer Work in Therapeutic Settings” form
- Unofficial transcripts from all colleges/universities attended (excluding GVSU transcript)
- Two (2) “Letter of Recommendation” forms from therapeutic recreation specialists, related health care professionals, or other recreation professionals with whom the applicant has completed volunteer or paid work hours.

**Phase III**
Upon completion of Phase I and II, students who meet the qualifications will be notified of provisional admission into the program and will be asked to schedule an advising appointment with a faculty member in the Therapeutic Recreation program. Students will be given a permit to register for REC 300, REC 302, REC 304, and REC 389 for the fall semester. Upon successful completion of these courses (80 percent competency/B- in each course), the student will be granted full admission into the Therapeutic Recreation program.

*All application materials must be sent to:*

**College of Health Professions**
Attn: Valinda Stokes
Grand Valley State University
Cook-DeVos Center for Health Sciences
301 Michigan St., NE Suite 113
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 331-5900
stokesv@gvsu.edu