**Lifetime Leisure Skills**

**Director**

- Steve J. Campbell

**Website:** https://recserv.uiowa.edu/programs/lifetime-leisure-skills

Lifetime Leisure Skills (LLS) courses are designed to engage students in fun and healthy recreational activities that can be continued beyond college and throughout their lives. Courses range from outdoor recreation activities such as rock climbing, camping, backpacking, biking, and kayaking to indoor activities that include taekwondo, kickboxing, Brazilian jiu-jitsu, salsa dancing, and ballroom dancing. LLS courses are appropriate for students at all skill levels.

Lifetime Leisure Skills courses are open to University of Iowa undergraduate and graduate students. Undergraduate students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences may count credit earned in Lifetime Leisure Skills courses toward the total number of semester hours required for their degree. Students should consult their academic advisor.

While the majority of courses are on campus or in the Iowa City area, several off-campus courses are held in locations that include Grand Canyon National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Arches National Park, Zion National Park, Big Bend National Park, Voyageurs National Park, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Black Canyon of the Colorado River, Effigy Mounds National Monument, Loess Hills State Forest, Yellow River State Forest, Maquoketa Caves State Park, Devil's Lake State Park, Pictured Rocks County Park, and the Upper Iowa River.

### Courses

#### Lifetime Leisure Skills Courses

**LLS:1100 Introduction to Camping** 1 s.h.
Introduction to the wonderful world of camping; focus on development of skills and knowledge pertaining to camping equipment, campsite selection and setup, outdoor cooking, useful knots, and minimum impact principles; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1110 Exploring Iowa’s Natural Wonders** 1 s.h.
Natural history of the Loess Hills of western Iowa, Maquoketa Caves of eastern Iowa, or Effigy Mounds National Monument and Yellow River State Forest of northeastern Iowa; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1115 Hiking** 1 s.h.
Beginner-level hiking skills; safety and planning; proper care and use of equipment; physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1116 Leave No Trace Camping** 1 s.h.
Seven principles of “Leave No Trace,” an international standard for the ethical utilization and enjoyment of outdoor spaces; overnight camping experience at Macbride Nature Recreation Area.

**LLS:1120 Backpacking** 1 s.h.
Beginner-level backpacking skills; basic map reading, proper packing and planning, equipment and clothing selection; physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1121 Expedition Backpacking** 1 s.h.
Remote, multiday, backcountry camping skills; proper packing and planning; backcountry nutrition; topographical map reading; equipment and clothing selection; very physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1130 Basic Orienteering** 1 s.h.
Basics of orienteering, including map and compass skills. Taught at Macbride Nature Recreation Area.

**LLS:1131 Expedition Orienteering** 1 s.h.
Extensive navigation and camping skills in a remote wilderness; focus on map and compass skills including declination, bearings, triangulation, topographical map reading, situational awareness; backcountry camping skills; very physically strenuous.

**LLS:1140 Team Building** 1 s.h.
Exploration of various methods of team building and common characteristics of successful teams through the use of UI Challenge Course; strong emphasis on cooperative group work and discussions.

**LLS:1141 Challenge Course Facilitation** 3 s.h.
How to effectively facilitate and lead challenge course activities; philosophy and history of challenge courses, group games and initiatives, processing and debriefing with challenge course groups, low- and high-course setup procedures, risk management.

**LLS:1150 Leadership in the Outdoors** 3 s.h.
Leadership theories, group dynamics, expedition logistics, outdoor leadership skills, risk management; indoor and outdoor classroom sessions, overnight camping required; technical skill development may include backpacking, canoeing, kayaking, rock climbing, mountain biking, bike touring, general camping.

**LLS:1200 Introduction to Rock Climbing** 1 s.h.
Utilization of indoor and outdoor climbing classrooms; comprehensive introduction to physical techniques of rock climbing, mechanical skills of belaying, proper usage of personal protective equipment, and common climbing terminology.

**LLS:1201 Intermediate Rock Climbing** 1 s.h.
Expands on skills learned in LLS:1200; students must have current belay card at the UI Climbing Wall; overnight camping required. Prerequisites: LLS:1200.

**LLS:1202 Expedition Rock Climbing** 1 s.h.
Multiday climbing expedition; physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

**LLS:1205 Anchor Systems for Top Rope Climbing** 1 s.h.
Development of basic skills for climbing anchors; understanding setting top-rope anchors; use of bolts, trees, and passive and mechanical chocks for anchor setting; equalization of anchors; basic knots for rope, webbing, and cordelettes; basic understanding of the structural integrity and frictional forces important to anchor setting.

**LLS:1210 Introduction to Lead Climbing: Sport** 1 s.h.
Fundamentals of single-pitch sport climbing on lead; belaying a leader; use of 52.5-foot tall climbing wall at CRWC; eligible to obtain lead climbing approval at UI Climbing Wall after successful completion of course. Prerequisites: LLS:1200.
LLS:1212 Expedition Lead Climbing: Sport 1 s.h.
Multiday single-pitch sport lead climbing expedition; requires current lead climbing approval for UI Campus Recreation and Wellness Center climbing wall; overnight camping required.

LLS:1230 Introduction to Bouldering 1 s.h.
Basic skills, safety, and techniques for bouldering.

LLS:1232 Expedition Bouldering 1 s.h.
Multiday bouldering expedition; overnight camping required.

LLS:1240 Introduction to Ice Climbing 1 s.h.
Basics of ice climbing.

LLS:1241 Expedition Ice Climbing 1 s.h.
Multiday ice climbing expedition.

LLS:1300 Recreational Cycling 1 s.h.
Basics of bicycling for recreation; riding techniques, basic bicycle maintenance, rules of the road; students must already know how to ride a bike; physically strenuous. Taught on Johnson County area roads and trail systems.

LLS:1301 Urban Cycling 1 s.h.
How to safely navigate urban areas by bicycle; traffic laws, situational awareness, basic maintenance, planning and route considerations.

LLS:1302 Tandem Biking 1 s.h.
How to ride a tandem bicycle with a partner; traffic principles and safety concerns; equipment and accessories for tandem bikes; physically strenuous.

LLS:1310 Bicycle Touring 1 s.h.
Planning and packing for self-supported, overnight bicycle touring trips; proper care and use of equipment; physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

LLS:1311 Expedition Bicycle Touring 1 s.h.
Multiday self-supported bicycle touring expedition; camp while exploring iconic touring routes of the United States; very physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

LLS:1320 Mountain Biking 1 s.h.
Basics of mountain bicycling; riding techniques, basic bicycle maintenance, trail etiquette. Taught on Sugar Bottom recreation trail system.

LLS:1322 Expedition Mountain Biking 1 s.h.
Multiday mountain bicycling expedition; very physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

LLS:1350 Marathon Training 1 s.h.
Multiweek training program; for students who currently run on a regular basis and wish to take their running to a more advanced level; physically strenuous.

LLS:1360 Trail Running 1 s.h.
Techniques of off-road running; local running trails in and around Iowa City; emphasis on proper training, clothing, equipment, and nutrition; physically strenuous; no experience required.

LLS:1361 Expedition Trail Running 1 s.h.
Multiday trail running expedition; very physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

LLS:1400 Flat Water Canoeing 1 s.h.
Basics of flat water tandem canoeing; paddle strokes, canoe anatomy, water safety. Taught at Macbride Nature Recreation Area.

LLS:1401 River Canoeing 1 s.h.
Fundamentals of tandem canoeing on moving water; basic paddling strokes, canoe anatomy, hydrology, river safety; overnight camping required.

LLS:1402 Whitewater Canoeing 1 s.h.
Basics of whitewater canoeing; paddle strokes, canoe anatomy, water safety, whitewater hydrology; overnight camping required.

LLS:1403 Expedition Canoeing 1 s.h.
How to plan and pack for multiday canoeing expeditions; Leave No Trace primitive camping; paddling skills in loaded canoes; reading river/lake maps; portaging techniques; rescue techniques; overnight camping required.

LLS:1410 Sea Kayaking 1 s.h.

LLS:1411 Expedition Sea Kayaking 1 s.h.
Multiday sea kayaking expedition; primitive camping; paddling skills in loaded kayaks, reading river/lake maps, rescue techniques.

LLS:1420 River Kayaking 1 s.h.
Fundamentals of kayaking on moving water; basic paddling strokes, kayak anatomy, hydrology, river safety; overnight camping required.

LLS:1421 Whitewater Kayaking 1 s.h.
Basics of whitewater kayaking; paddle strokes, kayak anatomy, rolling and bracing, water safety, whitewater hydrology; introductory pool session; overnight camping required.

LLS:1422 Whitewater Kayak Playboating 1 s.h.
Varied techniques of playboating—a style of whitewater kayaking in which the paddler performs tricks on natural or human-made whitewater features; introductory pool session; taught on rivers in Iowa with whitewater kayaking parks. Recommendations: previous whitewater kayaking experience or LLS:1421.

LLS:1423 Expedition Whitewater Kayaking 1 s.h.
Multiday whitewater kayaking expedition; class I-III rapids, rolling and bracing, safety and rescue techniques; overnight camping required.

LLS:1430 Stand Up Paddleboarding 1 s.h.
Introduction to paddleboarding skills on flat, calm water; paddling environment, board and paddle control, standing and balancing, personal preparation and safety.

LLS:1431 Stand-Up Paddleboard Yoga 1 s.h.
Paddleboarding and yoga, learning and combining two skills in one course; for all skill levels.

LLS:1440 Scuba 1 s.h.
Basics of Scuba diving. Seven weeks.

LLS:1441 Advanced Open Water Scuba 1 s.h.
Participation in five scuba diving specialty activities. Prerequisites: LLS:1440. Requirements: certification as open water scuba diver.

LLS:1500 Winter Camping 1 s.h.
How to successfully and comfortably camp in cold, harsh conditions; snow shelters, hydration, meal preparation, clothing needs; snowshoe/ski travel with sleds (as conditions permit).

LLS:1510 Snowshoeing 1 s.h.
Basics of snowshoeing; physically strenuous.

LLS:1512 Expedition Snowshoeing 1 s.h.
Multiday snowshoeing and winter camping expedition; very physically strenuous; overnight camping required.

LLS:1520 Cross-Country Skiing 1 s.h.
Basics of cross-country skiing in northern Wisconsin.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Course Code</th>
<th>Course Title</th>
<th>Credits</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1522</td>
<td>Expedition Cross-Country Skiing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1530</td>
<td>Alpine Skiing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1532</td>
<td>Expedition Alpine Skiing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1600</td>
<td>Basic Self Defense</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1610</td>
<td>Kickboxing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1611</td>
<td>Intermediate Kickboxing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1620</td>
<td>Tae Kwon Do</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1621</td>
<td>Intermediate Tae Kwon Do</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1630</td>
<td>Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1650</td>
<td>Introduction to Ballroom Dancing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1651</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Waltz</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1652</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Foxtrot and Tango</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1653</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Rhumba, Cha Cha, Merengue</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1654</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Nightclub Series</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1655</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Rhythm and Smooth</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1660</td>
<td>Salsa Dancing</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1665</td>
<td>Modern Dance for Fitness</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1670</td>
<td>Relaxercise</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1675</td>
<td>Yoga</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1680</td>
<td>Golf</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1690</td>
<td>Gardening: Vegetables and Herbs</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1691</td>
<td>Gardening: Designing Edible Forests</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1695</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Rhythm and Smooth</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1698</td>
<td>Ballroom Dancing: Nightclub Series</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:1800</td>
<td>Service Learning</td>
<td>1 s.h.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LLS:4000</td>
<td>Independent Study</td>
<td>arr.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>