



Gene Ezersky Camp Safety College

In affiliation with
Lackawanna College

2012 Summer Leadership/Safety in a Camp Environment Program Goals and Objectives

The following seven areas of the college curriculum are the focus of the three (3) credit course offered to college students who have completed their freshman year at an accredited college. College students who enroll in residential or day camps who have qualified GECSC Camp Safety Director Students or Graduates may participate in this specialized program.

Students who enroll must have the **permission of their present college advisor in writing** to be able to obtain ELECTIVE CREDIT for completing this summer course.

Under the leadership of the Certified Camp Safety Director, each student will be assisted in his or her individualized course of study. Students will observe methods of operation, camper activity, and personnel issues and participate as appropriate. The reading and written requirements of the course will relate to the “hands on” experiences gained during these valuable experiences.

The goal of the Leadership/Safety in a Camp Environment program is to create a frame of reference for our students that will:

- Familiarize students with life/health/safety issues in any congregate care facility
- Familiarize students with health and safety regulatory issues
- Familiarize students with life/health/safety literature for the purpose of research
- Leadership opportunities to participate in management meetings
- Leadership opportunities to assist in staff supervision meetings
- Leadership skill building in the area of human relations skills
- Leadership skill building in the area of communication skills

Facilities and Grounds Management

- Determine repair and maintenance needs of facilities and grounds
- Inspect camp buildings and activity areas
- Develop inspection systems to help keep all buildings updated to safety codes.
- Develop maintenance plans to determine the types of repairs needed.

Health and Sanitation

- Research the newest health laws.
- Research issues of pollution, communicable diseases, and sanitation in and around the campsite.
- Assist in taking health history records of campers and staff
- Participate in record keeping for drug testing
- Observe Health Inspectors for inspection of water, septic tanks, leach fields, and soil remediation

Emergency Preparation and Management

- Observe responses to and management of safety incidents, injuries, and catastrophic situations.
- Observe styles of public relations with parents, camp families and the media after incidents have occurred.
- Participate in formulating emergency preparation and management plans

Kitchen and Food Service

- Observe dietitian or food manager's plan for safe kitchen operation
- Review specific methods of food safety
- Review safe methods for food storage.
- Observe proper serving and cleaning methods
- Review inspection lists designed to maintain equipment at high levels of operation
- Review menu planning
- Assist in food preparation and proper sanitation issues

Transportation and Travel Supervision

- Review current laws for drivers, licensing, and driver testing.
- Review safety manual guidelines for transportation vehicles (busses & vans)
- Review the proper methods for inspection of a vehicle
- Learn how to cope with a transportation incident
- Camper supervision while on vehicles.
- Maintenance, fueling, and storage of vehicles

Latest Activity Programs and Safety Issues

- Review existing safety documents and compare them to current safety standards
- Observe specialized activities such as ropes, climbing walls & go-cart tracts and become familiar with the safety issues.
- Examine new equipment for camp programs and assist in preparation of safety documents

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