DEPARTMENTAL HISTORY (1997-2007)
PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT
COLLEGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

1997-98

- The PRTM Department celebrates its 50th anniversary at the annual spring banquet and produces a commemorative publication to honor the milestone
- Developed a Sport Management Concentration in the PRT undergraduate curriculum
- PRTM receives permission from UNC-General Administration to plan a Ph.D.
- The PRT curriculum receives its 20th accreditation from NRPA and the National Council on Accreditation
- Roger Warren (former department head) retires in August, 1998
- Carol Love is appointed Associate Dean of Academic Affairs for the College of Natural Resources
- Doug Wellman is appointed the Director of the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning
- Aram Attarian transfers from the Department of Physical Education to assume a faculty position with PRTM
- Beth Wilson is appointed as the Associate Department Head in PRTM
- Carol Kline and Larry Gustke offer the first tourism courses through NCREN

1998-1999

- The Ph.D. in PRTM is approved in March, 1999
- The department completes two faculty searches: Nancy McGehee and Yu-Fai Leung hired to start in the fall of 1999
- PRT 462- Introduction to Geographic Information Systems is offered for the first time in a web-based format
- A review of the PRT undergraduate program leads to increasing concentration hours from nine to fifteen hours
- Ed Lindsay assumes a faculty position at Chicago State University
- Jack “Swede” Frauson volunteers to become Chair of the PRTM Development Committee
1999-2000

- Nancy McGehee (sport management and tourism) and Yu-Fai Leung (environmental impacts of tourism and recreation use) join the faculty in August, 1999
- Gene Brothers and Carol Kline develop rural tourism programs
- Review of the PRT undergraduate program leads to increasing overall hours from 121 to 127 hours
- Four (4) students transfer from the Ph.D. in Forestry to the PRTM newly established doctoral program
- Swede Frauson raises over $140,000 in donations and commitments for student scholarships
- The Winslow-Frauson-Rea Scholarship in Park Management and the Harold and Hazel Moses Scholarship in Recreation Programming are established
- Candace Goode Vick transfers to PRTM from 4-H and Youth Development in January, 2000 and assumes the position of PRTM Undergraduate Coordinator and continues as Director of Recreation Resources Service

2000-2001

- The College of Forest Resources is renamed the College of Natural Resources
- The Ph.D. program admits its first cohort of five students in fall, 2000 for a doctoral enrollment of nine students
- Mark Ivy is the first student to graduate with a Ph.D. in PRTM in spring, 2001
- Hugh Devine receives approval to offer the first graduate certificate in Geographic Information Sciences
- The Professional Golf Association approves curriculum accreditation for a Professional Golf Management undergraduate degree, and the Provost’s office approves funding for PGM
- PRTM and the Cooperative Extension Service develops a sustainable tourism extension partnership and employ Carol Kline on a 75% extension, 25% teaching appointment
- Recreation Resources Service administers the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) and awards 31 grants totaling $5.2 million
- The department receives another endowed scholarship from Derek Williams of Site Solutions
- Swede Frauson begins the “Legends in Giving” program with a goal to obtain 20 gifts at $5000 each
- Reggi Powell, Administrative Secretary, retires after 22 years with NC State
2001-2002

- Undergraduate enrollments in PRTM exceed 300 for the first time in 30 years
- Incoming freshman class includes two recipients of prestigious Park Scholarships
- Graduate enrollments range from 50-60 students, making PRTM one of the six largest graduate programs in the world
- New Jordan Hall addition is planned

2002-2003

- Phil Rea retires in June, 2003 after 16 years as Department Head
- Doug Wellman is appointed Department Head effective July, 2003
- Twenty three (23) students entered the Professional Golf Management (PGM) degree
- The GIS Graduate Certificate receives final approval
- The PRT curriculum receives its 25 year accreditation
- The PRTM program has 42% of the College enrollment
- Fourteen (14) students are enrolled in the Ph.D. program
- Two more doctoral students (Erick Byrd and Sarah Banks) complete their degrees and are offered faculty positions.
- The Thomas R. Wells Endowed scholarship is awarded for the first time
- Wayne Williams presents a generous deferred gift to the department
- Carol Kline leaves for a position with Handmade in America in Asheville, NC and Stacy Tomas is hired for the tourism extension program

2003-2004

- PRTM has 47% of the College enrollment
- The department files notification on “Intent to Plan a Sport Management Undergraduate Degree”
- There are currently 20 faculty (8 women, 2 African Americans, and 1 Asian)
- PGM program undergoes its second-year accreditation review
- A partnership between CNR and the NC Art Museum called “Art and Ecology Park” is initiated with Roger Moore as the lead faculty member
- Scott Payne becomes Director of Recreation Resources Services in August, ’04
- Carol Kline begins a 2-year appointment as an Extension Associate in July, ’04
- Deferred gifts increase by over $500,000 this year
- Over $1.1 million in support comes to the department from the National Park Service for research, GIS/GPS training and technical support
- Twenty students are enrolled in the doctoral program
2004-2005

- The College of Natural Resources celebrates its 75th anniversary
- Jonathan Casper and Myron Floyd join the faculty
- Jason Bocarro is hired to start in January, 2006
- The PGM program is accredited in early summer ’05
- The Sport Management (SM) program receives final approval
- PRTM enrollment is 588 students – over 50% of the College enrollment
- The department receives over $2.25 million in grants and contracts; research partners include National Park Service, NC Division of Travel and Tourism, NC State Parks, Duke Power, and NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- Judy Peel transfers from the Office of the Provost to assume a faculty position
- Karla Henderson moves from UNC-CH to join PRTM faculty in August, 2004, with primary emphasis on developing doctoral program

2005-2006

- In fall ’05, PRTM has 54% of the College undergraduate enrollment and 32% of the graduate enrollment
- Swede Frauson has raised over $2 million mostly in deferred giving along with 3 newly endowed scholarships
- Three new undergraduate scholarships are endowed – Harold and Hazel Moses, Winslow-Frauson-Rea, and Phillip Rea
- Jason Bocarro begins in January ’06 and Heidi Grappendorf is hired to begin in fall ’06
- Currently 19 students in the Ph.D. program with 7 graduates
- Myron Floyd joins the faculty in fall, 2005
- Geospatial Sciences Initiative led by Hugh Devine has awarded 75 GIS certificates
- Hugh Devine establishes a campus-wide GIS faculty with 30 members representing 20 departments
- Over past 5 years, the number of underrepresented minority undergraduates has grown from 25 to 74, a 194% increase
- Annette Moore and Barbi Honeycutt develop an introductory service-learning experience for PRT freshmen
- Study Abroad programs are developed by Roger Moore (Australia) and Carol Kline (Ghana)
- Roger Warren receives the PRTM Lifetime Achievement Award
- Over $1.88 million in grants and contracts is received
- Masters of Natural Resources program is successfully reviewed by Graduate School

2006-2007
• The Sport Management undergraduate degree admits its first students
• Since 2002-2003, nine new faculty have been added to the department (J. Casper, E. Lindsay, H. Grappendorf, J. Peel, J. Bocarro, K. Henderson, M. Floyd, S. Tomas, and C. Kline)
• Phil Rea completes his third and final year of phased retirement and agrees to serve as the part-time liaison for the department with our Oglebay Schools
• Beth Wilson retires on July 1, 2007 and begins a 3-year phased retirement focused on revising the Masters in Natural Resources program and building relationships with alumni and friends
• Pete Armstrong is hired as Director of Recreation Resources Services

• Faculty successfully compete for agreement with the National Association of State Park Directors for New Superintendents School (coordinated by Aram Attarian) and Annual Information Exchange (led by Yu-Fai Leung and Chris Siderelis)
• The Oglebay Schools (Revenue Resources, Maintenance Management, and Supervisors School) have graduated over 17,000 students to date
• Over 12 faculty with varied interests in physical activity and recreation begin discussions that resulted in a new initiative – Investigating Places for Active Recreation in Communities (IPARC), with start-up funding of $60,000 from the NC Forestry Foundation
• Successful review of the PGM program by PGA
• Successful Graduate School review of the PRT graduate program
• Successful accreditation of the PRT undergraduate program

• Work begins on creating a new distance masters degree, with leadership by Michael Kanters
• Tourism Extension projects include NC Birding Trail, Paddle Trail Development, and Hospitality Training
• PGM graduates its first students

2007-2008

• Michelle Harrolle joins faculty
• Robb Wade is promoted to the PGM Director position
• Andy Betz is hired as Internship Coordinator for PGM
• Michael Kanters leaves PGM to assume leadership for the development of a distance MPRTM degree
• Janell Henderson is hired as our first Professional Academic Undergraduate Advisor
• Doug Wellman retires on July 1, 2008
• Carol Kline accepts a position at NC Central University, and Samantha Rozier is hired as an assistant Professor and Extension Specialist
• Susan Colby organizes the “PGM Ambassadors” program enlisting current PGM students in recruiting and mentoring entering students
• The IPARC group hosts the first “Active Recreation Counts Summit” with over 150 participants
• IPARC faculty and graduate students secure almost $500,000 in grants, write 12 articles and make 11 presentations in their first year’s work
• Annette Moore and Barbi Honeycutt are playing leading roles in the Engaged College Program
• Hugh Devine secures $180,000 in first-year funding from DELTA for a distance program in geospatial sciences
• Michael Kanters secures $160,000 from DELTA for a new distance MPRTM degree
• Phil Rea (emeritus faculty) develops the Directors School, a new Oglebay professional development program to be offered in August, 2008 for aspiring and new park and recreation directors
• PRTM faculty secure roughly $3 million in external grants and contracts
• Student enrollments have more than doubled in the past 10 years from 314 to 672
• In the past decade, faculty numbers grew from 15 to 25
• Jack “Swede” Frauson has secured over $3 million in current and deferred gifts for student scholarships and other purposes
• Dorothy Anderson from the University of Minnesota is selected as the new Department Head to start in October, 2008
• Candace Goode-Vick agrees to serve as Interim Department Head from July 1 to October 1, 2008