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# Preparation

## INTRODUCTION

This section focuses upon two of the key issues, which are professional education and the relationship between academicians and practitioners. There must be a good knowledge base and it must be effectively transmitted to practitioners. Currently, practice is moving ahead of theory because the demand for sport and leisure services is so great and the professions are just beginning to develop an effective body of theory. Theory and practice are developing simultaneously. The key to effective development is communication between the academician and the practitioner and a cooperative atmosphere to understand each position. Professional programs are graduating students who have a wide range of competencies that are based upon the philosophies of those preparation programs. The programs whose students perform efficiently and effectively are the ones that will survive and grow.