

PARALEGAL STUDIES

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PROGRAM INFORMATION: The paralegal studies program is designed to help prepare a person to perform duties requiring knowledge of both substantive and procedural law under the direct supervision of a licensed attorney, or to perform duties for corporation and other employers that benefit from the ability to gather and organize information and to understand legal issues. An Associate of Applied Science Degree is awarded upon successful completion of this two-year program. The program curriculum is designed to provide students with the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes they need to become competent and ethical professional paralegals.

FRESHMAN YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
LGLA 1301	Legal Research & Writing	3
LGLA 1313	Intro to Paralegal Studies	3
LGLA 1311	Intro to Law	3
COSC 1301	Introduction to Computing	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		15

FRESHMAN YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
LGLA 2307	Law Office Management	3
LGLA 2303	Torts & Personal Injury Law	3
LGLA 2313	Criminal Law & Procedure	3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
SPCH 1315 OR SPCH 1321	Public Speaking OR Business & Professional Communication	3
Spring Total Credit Hours		15

SOPHOMORE YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
LGLA 1345	Civil Litigation	3
LGLA 1355	Family Law	3
LGLA 1353	Wills, Trusts, & Probate Administration	3
MATH 1324 OR MATH 1332	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences OR Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning)	3
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		15

SOPHOMORE YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
LGLA 2331	Advanced Legal Research & Writing	3
LGLA 2309	Real Property	3

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LGLA 2335	Advanced Civil Litigation	3
LGLA 2388	Practicum	3
XXXX	Approved Language / Philosophy / Culture or Creative Arts	3
Spring Total Credit Hours		15
Program Total Credit Hours		60

LGLA 2388: Capstone course. Must be taken in the last semester.

LGLA 1311 and LGLA 1313 are prerequisites for all other LGLA courses except LGLA 1301.