PARALEGAL STUDIES

PARALEGAL STUDIES - AAS DEGREE PLAN

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 | Public Speaking | 3 |
| SPCH 1321 | or Business & Professional Communication | 3 |
| Spring Total Credit Hours | | 15 |

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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 | Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences | 3 |
| MATH 1332 | or Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning) | 3 |
| GOVT 2306 | Texas Government | 3 |
| Fall Total Credit Hours | | 15 |

SOPHOMORE YEAR - SPRING

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. | | | | |
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| COURSE SECTION | COURSE TITLE | CREDIT HOURS | | |
| LGLA 2331 | Advanced Legal Research & Writing | 3 | | |

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| LGLA 2309 | Real Property | 3 |
| 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 | | |