

LEGAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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This curriculum is designed for the student interested in a career in the legal field who wishes to primarily focus his or her education on legal studies. Through this certificate program, students learn about various areas of law including criminal, family, contract, tort, and estate law. Graduation from this certificate program will provide students with opportunities to enter the workforce with the requisite knowledge and skills to obtain employment in beginner level positions in certain government offices or as an entry-level legal assistant/ paralegal.

This certificate program can be taken 100% online, but traditional classroom offerings are available for many classes, as well.

In order to graduate from the Legal Studies Certificate Program, the students must meet all college academic requirements plus achieve a grade of "C" or better in each Legal Studies (LEGL) and Criminal Justice (CRIM) course.

Successful completion of this program qualifies students to apply for a Certificate in Legal Studies.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

REQUIRED LEGAL STUDIES COURSES

CRIM-103	Criminal Law
LEGL-101	Introduction to Legal Studies
LEGL-104	Litigation
LEGL-203	Family and Estate Law
LEGL-204 or	Real Property and Title Examination or
LEGL-206	Torts

REQUIRED GENERAL COURSES

ENG-101	English Composition I
BUAD-210	Business Law
COMP-101	Computer Literacy
COMP-221	Office Applications I

REQUIRED ELECTIVES

English Elective	English Elective
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PROGRAM PATH

LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

ONE-YEAR CAREER PROGRAM

PREPARATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

FIRST SEMESTER

	<u>Credit Hours</u>
Computer Technology 101 (Computer Literacy)	3
Criminal Justice 103 (Criminal Law)	3
English 101 (English Composition I)	3
Legal Studies 101 (Introduction to Legal Studies)	3
Legal Studies 203 (Family and Estate Law)	3
Total:	15

SECOND SEMESTER

Business Administration 210 (Business Law)	3
Computer Technology 221 (Office Applications I)	3
English Elective	3
Legal Studies 104 (Litigation)	3
Legal Studies 204 or 206 (Real Property and Title Examination or Torts)	3
Total:	15
Total Credit Hours:	30

NOTE: All courses specifically identified by course number are graduation requirements for this program.