

Academic Sequence Map

Program Degree Type and Name: Bachelor of Science: Legal Studies Concentration in Paralegal Studies

Catalog Year 2026-2027

Program Level: Undergraduate AcademicAcademic Term Type: Semester

* Denote core course with an asterisk and (cc) next to the course number

Year and Term: Year 1 Fall Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
ENGL 111 : Composition I	3	x					
Math 115 or Math 116 or MATH 117	3	x					
Mercy Seminar I: First Year Seminar	3	x					
Gen Ed (Self & Society) SOCL 101 Int. Soc.or PSYN 101 Int. Psych.	3	x					
ENG 110 or Gen Ed Elective	3	x					
Term Credit Total:	15	15					
Year and Term: Year 2 Fall Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
LAWS 255 Managing Human Conflict I (or substitute of LAWS 210 with PD approval)	3		x			SOCL 101 or PSYN 101	
Gen Ed or LANG 115	3	x					
Gen Ed (Humanities)	3	x					
Mercy Seminar III: Big Problems	3	x					
Open Elective (Recommendation: PARA 302)	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	9	3	3			
Year and Term: Year 3 Fall Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
PARA 206 Subst.Law and Doc. Drafting	3		x			LAWS 130	
PARA 302 Litigation	3		x		B- or better	LAWS 130; ENGL111	
Gen Ed (Scientific Reasoning)	3	x					
Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 203)	3			x			
Term credit total:	15	3	6	6			
Year and Term: Year 4 Fall Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: PARA 303)	3		x				
Open Elective	3			x			
PARA 260 Legal Research and Writing I	3		x		C+ or better	LAWS 130	
Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	0	6	9			
Program Totals	Credits: 120		General Education: 42 (must have 60 total Liberal Arts and Sciences)				

Year and Term: Year 1 Spring Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
ENGL 112 Written Engl. and Lit.Studies II	3	x				ENGL 111	
POLS 101	3		x				
COMM 110	3		x				
Mercy Seminar II: Transformative Ideas	3	x					
LAWS 130 Introduction to Legal Studies	3		x		C or better		GC, CA
Term Credit Total:	15	6	9	0			
Year and Term: Year 2 Spring Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
*LAWS 361 (cc) Const. Law and Policy	3		x				
Gen Ed (Creative Expression)	3	x					
Gen Ed (Ethical Reaoning)	3	x					
LANG 116	3	x					
Open Elective	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	9	3	3			
Year and Term: Year 3 Spring Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 201)	3		x				
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 235)	3		x				LAWS 235 - ELC
Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	0	6	9			
Year and Term: Year 4 Spring Term	Credits Per Classification						
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: PARA 380)	3		x				PARA 380 - ELC PARA 380 - WBE
PARA 300 Legal Research and Writing II	3		x		B- or better	PARA 260; ENGL 111	
Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective	3			x			
PARA 410 Adv. Seminar in Paralegal Studies	3		x		B or better	LAWS 130;PARA 260;300;206;302;ENGL 111	ELC
Term Credit Total:	15		9	6			
Major & Major Elective: 42		Open Elective: 36					

Legend: CR: Credits GE: General Education Maj: Major / Major Elective OE: Open Elective SM: Success Marker Co/Prerequisite(s): List of co/ prerequisites for noted course GC: Gateway Courses CA: Career Activity ELC: Experiential Learning Course WBE: Work-based Experience

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