



PARALEGAL STUDIES

Associate of Arts Degree (Code#1109)

REVISED FOR 2009 – 2010

(STUDENTS BEGINNING FALL 09 NEED TO TAKE UNIQUE ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS – SEE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAGE FOR DETAILS)

Paralegals are not lawyers and may not provide legal services directly to the public except as permitted by law

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR:

COURSE NO.	TITLE	UNITS
PARLGL 101	Introduction to Law	3
PARLGL 105	Tort Law	3
PARLGL 106	Legal Analysis & Writing	3
PARLGL 107	Ethics for Paralegals	3
PARLGL 108	Legal Research	3
PARLGL 109	Computer Literacy for Paralegals	3
PARLGL 111	Civil Litigation I	3
PARLGL 112	Civil Litigation II	3
PARLGL 200	Paralegal Seminar	1
POLISC 150 OR	Introduction to American Government and Politics	3
POLISC 150H	Introduction to American Government and Politics – Honors	3
CWEXP 188	Cooperative Work Experience in the Paralegal work environment	2
Recommended but not required electives:		
PARLGL 104	Contract Law	3
PARLGL 140	Bankruptcy	3
PARLGL 180	Estate Planning	3
Total Units for Major:		30

PLUS:

- ◆ a minimum of 60 semester units (a minimum of 12 units completed at College of the Canyons)
- ◆ completion of the unique Paralegal Studies Associate Degree GE (see reverse side), Diversity, American Institutions and PE/Wellness requirements.
- ◆ a minimum 2.0 grade point average (C average) or better in associate degree applicable units and be in good standing at College of the Canyons (all courses required for the major must be completed with a C grade or better).

General Education Requirements Unique to Paralegal Studies– complete a minimum of 21 semester units of general education including at least one course in each of the following areas. A given course meets the requirements in only one area. **However, courses with asterisks (*) may be used to meet a General Education requirement listed in A-E below as well as the COC Diversity Requirement.**

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT STUDENTS MAY ELECT TO COMPLETE THE IGETC OR THE CSU GENERAL EDUCATION PATTERNS IN LIEU OF A-E BELOW.

In addition, students need to complete the COC Diversity, PE/Wellness, and Reading, Written Expression and Mathematics Competency requirements, earn 60 units, a C grade in each Paralegal major course requirements, an overall degree applicable gpa of 2.0 plus be in “good standing” at College of the Canyons in order to earn the Associate Degree.

- A. Natural Sciences – minimum 3 semester units required**
Anthropology 101, 101L, Astronomy 100, 101, 102
Biological Science 100, 104, 106, 107, 112, 130, 132, 140, 170, 180, 201, 202, 204, 205, 215, 216, 218, 219, 221, 230, 231, 240, 250
Chemistry 110, 151, 201, 202, 221, 255, 256
Geography 101, 101L, 103
Geology 100, 101, 102, 105, 106, 107, 109, 218
Physical Science 101
Physics 101, 110, 111, 220, 221, 222
Psychology 102
- B. Social and Behavioral Sciences - minimum 3 semester units required**
Anthropology 103*, 103H*, 105, 210, 215*, 220
Biological Sciences 120*
Business 103, 126*
Communication Studies 110, 223, 235, 246, 256*, 260*
Economics 150, 170, 201, 201H, 202, 230
Geography 102*
History 101, 102, 111, 111H, 112, 115, 116*, 117*, 120*, 130*, 150, 161*, 165, 170, 191, 192*, 193*, 210*, 212, 230*, 240, 241, 242*, 243*, 245*
Journalism 100
Political Science 150, 150H, 200, 210, 230, 250, 270, 290*
Psychology 100, 101, 101H, 105, 109, 126, 150, 172, 175, 180, 225, 230*, 235*, 240*, 272*
Sociology 100*, 101*, 101H*, 102, 103*, 105*, 106*, 108, 110*, 112, 150, 151*, 200*, 201, 203, 207*, 208*, 209, 210*, 217*, 226, 230*, 233*, 242
- C. Humanities and Fine Arts - minimum 3 semester units required**
Anthropology 210*, 215*, 220
Arabic 101
Art 110, 111, 113, 114, 115
Business 160
Chinese 101
Cinema 120, 121, 122, 123*, 127
Communication Studies 105, 105H, 150, 225, 246, 250, 256*, 260*
Dance 100
English 102, 105, 106, 108, 109, 111, 122, 135, 225, 250, 251, 260, 261, 262*, 263, 264, 265, 270*, 271*, 272, 273*, 274*, 275, 280*, 281, 285*
French 101, 102, 150, 201, 202
German 100, 101, 102, 201
History 101, 102, 161*, 165, 191*, 192*, 193*, 240, 241, 242*, 243*
Humanities 100, 101, 105, 106, 150
Italian 101, 102, 150
Music 100, 105, 106, 107, 108* 112, 113, 120
Philosophy 101, 102*, 110, 111, 112, 120, 210, 215, 220*, 225, 240, 250
Sign Language 101, 102, 103, 104, 110*
Sociology 200*
Spanish 101, 101A, 102, 102A, 150, 160, 201, 202, 240
Theatre 100, 110, 220, 221
- D. Language and Rationality - 6 semester units - minimum grade of “C” required
(completion of both 1 & 2 are required)**
- 1. English Composition:**
Select one course from the following:
English 101, 101H, 102, 103
- 2. Communication and Analytical Thinking:**
Select one course from the following:
Communication Studies 105, 105H, 205, 223, 225, 227; Journalism 105; Math 070, 083, 102, 103, 104, 111, 120, 140, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215; Philosophy 106, 230; Psychology 103; Sociology 102, 108
- E. American Institutions - 6 semester units required**
United States History (History 111) – 3 units
U.S. Constitution, State and Local Government – 3 units (*complete one course from #1 and one course from #2*)
1. Economics 170; History 111, 112, 120*, 130*, 150, 170, 230* or 245*
 2. Political Science 150 or 150H; or complete both History 111 and 112