

Pathway to Law School



Program Description: To assist the State Bar of California in its efforts to ensure the legal profession reflects the diverse population of the State of California, this pathway creates a pipeline of diverse students from high schools, community colleges, four-year institutions, and law schools into law or law-related careers. The program consists of curricular and extracurricular components designed to support students through their academic and career journey. Program benefits include:

- ✓ Dedicated counselor and faculty champions
- ✓ Personalized Pathway to Law School Canvas
- ✓ Extracurricular pre-law activities including law school/courthouse visits, local bar events, panels, and workshops
- ✓ Mentorship with a local lawyer or judge, internships and fellowship opportunities
- ✓ Free LSAT resources through [LawHub](https://lawhub.org/)
- ✓ Networking with the California LAW Pathways community (<https://calawpathways.org/>)

Completion of seven mandatory courses enables students to earn the Cal LAW Scholar Certificate and be eligible for an application fee waiver when applying to pathway partner law schools. Current law school partners include:

- Chapman University, Fowler School of Law
- Loyola Law School
- McGeorge School of Law
- Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law
- Santa Clara University School of Law
- Southwestern Law School
- University of California College of Law, San Francisco
- University of California, Berkeley School of Law
- University of California, Davis School of Law
- University of California, Irvine School of Law
- University of California, Los Angeles School of Law
- University of San Diego School of Law
- University of San Francisco School of Law
- University of Southern California Gould School of Law
- Western State College of Law

Recommended Course Sequence: M = MANDATORY, R = RECOMMENDED (all courses are offered each term unless otherwise noted)

Fall Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
M PARLGL 101	Introduction to Law (fall, spring, summer only)		3	CSU Elective
M ENGL-C1000/C1000H	Academic Reading and Writing (Score of 3 or higher on AP Exam)		4	Cal-GETC 1A
R COUNS 150	Student Success		3	CSU/UC Elective

Spring Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
M ENGL-C1001/C1001H	Critical Thinking (may substitute COMS 227, ENGL 112/112H, PHILOS 206)		3	Cal-GETC 1B
M STAT-C1000/1000H	Introduction to Statistics (Score of 3 or higher on AP Exam)		4	Cal-GETC 2

The following courses may substitute for Statistics: ECON 291, STAT-C1000E, PSYCH 104, or SOCI 137

Fall Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
M COMS 225	Strategies of Argumentation (fall and spring only)		3	CSU/UC Elective
M POLS-C1000/C1000H	American Government and Politics		3	Cal-GETC 4
R PARLGL 107	Legal Ethics (fall and winter only)		1	CSU Elective

Spring Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
M HIST 111/111H	United States History I (Score of 3 or higher on AP Exam or may substitute with ECON 170/170H, HIST 112/112H, 116,117,120/120H, 130, OR 230)		3	Cal-GETC 3B or 4
R WE 186 PLGL	Work Experience Education (Internship)		1-4	CSU Elective

- ✓ Upon successful completion of the seven courses, students may qualify for two certificates: one through COC & one through Cal LAW Pathways.
- ✓ Admission to law school requires a bachelor's degree, LSAT, and application.
- ✓ **Scan the QR Code for more information and complete the interest survey to join!**



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