

2025 – 2026 Paralegal Associate Degree General Education

Student Information	
Name:	COC ID#:
Major:	Catalog Year:
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GE Area	These requirements are for students who are pursuing the Paralegal Studies degree and do not wish to transfer to the CSU or UC. Courses cannot be used to fulfill multiple GE areas. All courses must be completed with grades of "C -" or better. Courses approved in the GE areas below may not be Cal-GETC approved. See a counselor for details.	Course/ AP Exam Completed	Need	In-Progress	Completed			
AREA	AREA 1 - ENGLISH COMPOSITION, ORAL COMMUNICATION, AND CRITICAL THINKING (2 courses: one from each group; 6 semester or 8 quarter units)							
1A	English Composition: ENGL C1000, C1000H							
1B	Oral Communication and Critical Thinking: COMM C1000, C1000H; COMS 120, 225, 227; ENGL C1001, C1001H, 112; PHILOS 106, 206, 230; PSYCH 103; SOCI 102, 108							
AREA	2 - MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING (1 course; 3 semester or 4 quarter units)							
2	CMPSCI 111, 132, 256; MATH 100, 102, 102X, 103, 103X, 104, 104X, 211, 211X, 212, 213, 214, 215, 240, 240X; PSYCH 103; SOCI 102; STAT C1000, C1000E, C1000H							
AREA	3 - ARTS AND HUMANITIES (1 course; 3 semester or 4 quarter units)							
3	ANTHRO 210, 220; ARCHT 114, 115; ART 100, 110, 111, 112, 115, 116; BUS 160; CINEMA 120, 121, 122, 123, 127, 129, 131; COMM C1000, C1000H; COMS 100, 100H, 150, 225, 246, 256, 260; DANCE 100; ECON 170, 170H; ENGL 105, 106, 108, 109, 110, 112, 122, 135, 200, 250, 251, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 280, 281; FRNCH 101, 102, 150, 201, 202; GERMAN 101, 102; GMD 120; HIST 101, 101H, 102, 111, 111H, 112, 112H, 115, 116, 117, 120, 120H, 130, 161, 191, 192, 193, 210, 212, 230, 240, 243; HUMAN 100, 115, 116, 150; ID 114, 115; ITAL 101, 102, 150; KPET 209; LING 101; MEA 101, 102; MUSIC 100, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 120A; PHILOS 101, 101H, 102, 110, 111, 112, 120, 130, 220, 225, 240, 250; PHOTO 140; SIGN 101, 102, 103, 104, 110; SOCI 200, 200H; SPAN 101, 101H, 102, 150, 201, 202, 211, 212, 240; THEATR 100, 110, 111, 210, 220, 240							
AREA	AREA 4 - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (1 course; 3 semester or 4 quarter units)							
4	ANTHRO 103, 103H, 105, 120, 210, 220; BUS 126; CCE 200, 201; COMS 120, 235, 246, 256, 260, 270; COUNS 200; ECE 101, 102; ECON 170, 170H, 201, 201H, 202, 202H; ENVRMT 101; ETHNST 101, 102, 103, 104; GEOGRPH 102, 104, 105; GLST 101, 102; HIST 101, 101H, 102, 111, 111H, 112, 112H, 115, 116, 117, 120, 120H, 130, 161, 191, 192, 193, 210, 212, 230, 240, 243; MEA 100; PHILOS 130; POLISC 200, 210, 230, 250, 270, 290; POLS C1000, C1000H; PSYC C1000, C1000H; PSYCH 103, 105, 109, 110, 126, 167, 172, 172H, 180, 225, 230, 235, 240; SOCI 101, 101H, 102, 103, 103H, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 110, 130, 200, 200H, 205, 207, 208, 210, 230, 233, 250; SWSH 110							
AREA 5 - NATURAL SCIENCES (1 course; 3 semester or 4 quarter units)								
5	ANTHRO 101, 101H, 101L; ASTRON 100, 102, 104; BIOSCI 100, 100H, 101, 106, 106H, 107, 107H, 115, 116, 119, 130, 132, 140, 180, 201, 202, 204, 205, 221, 240; CHEM 100, 151, 151H, 201, 201H, 202, 255, 256; ENVRMT 103, 104; GEOGRPH 100, 101, 103, 105, 110; GEOLOGY 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 110, 111; HLHSCI 150; OCEAN 101, 119; PHYSCI 101; PHYSIC 101, 102, 110, 111, 210, 211, 220, 221, 222; PSYCH 102							
AREA	AREA 6 - ETHNIC STUDIES (1 course; 3 semester or 4 quarter units)							
6	ETHNST 101, 102, 103, 104							

REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS To earn an Associate Degree at College of the Canyons, students must meet the following requirements:	Need	In-Progress	Completed
Complete ONE of the General Education patterns: COC associate degree GE or Cal-GETC.			
 Note: The Associate degree GE is waived if you have earned a bachelor's degree at a regionally accredited institution. The Associate degree for Transfer (AA-T/AS-T) requires completion of Cal-GETC. 			
Complete the major requirements as listed in the College Catalog. Major Courses require a grade of C or better.			
UNIT RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Complete a minimum of 12 units at College of the Canyons.			
Complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable units.			
CUMULATIVE GPA – A minimum 2.0 (C Average) must be earned in all attempted units; be in good academic standing.			

Common Course Numbering (CCN)

California Assembly Bill 1111, or AB 1111, also known as the "Common Course Numbering" bill, aims to simplify the transfer process for students within the California Community Colleges (CCC) system. The bill requires that CCC courses satisfying similar requirements, like general education or major requirements, share the same course number across all CCCs. This standardization helps students more easily identify transferable courses. The course renumbering will be implemented in phases, allowing time for institutions to align courses gradually. Below are the current implemented CCNs:

ENGL C1000 (formerly ENGL 101) ENGL C1000H (formerly ENGL 101H) ENGL C1001 (formerly ENGL 103) ENGL C1001H (formerly ENGL 103H) COMM C1000 (formerly COMS 105) COMM C1000H (formerly COMS 105H) STAT C1000 (formerly MATH 140) STAT C1000H (formerly MATH 140H) POLS C1000 (formerly POLISC 150)
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STAT C1000E (formerly MATH 140X)

PSYC C1000 (formerly PSYCH 101)
PSYC C1000H (formerly PSYCH 101H)

Notes:

Major Course Substitutions for Paralegal courses taken at other colleges:

College of the Canyons (COC) does not accept legal specialty courses from institutions that are not ABA approved or accredited by a COC recognized accrediting body. COC permits the transfer of up to 12 semester units (or 18 quarter units) of legal specialty (paralegal) courses from an ABA-approved program, and up to 9 semester units (or 13.5 quarter units) from a non-ABA approved program. Additional coursework may transfer as elective credit, but only the units within these limits may be used as substitutes for COC paralegal courses. If you have completed several paralegal courses at another institution, you may be limited in how many will count toward the COC Paralegal program.

Transfer courses will be evaluated based on their rigor, subject matter, delivery method (e.g., lecture, hybrid), topics covered, and the nature of assignments or projects. Having the same course name is not sufficient for approval. Prospective students are strongly encouraged to meet with the Paralegal Studies Department Chair before enrolling to discuss transfer credit options and develop a course plan.

To check if your previous school is ABA approved, visit: https://www.americanbar.org/groups/paralegals/paralegal-resource-directory/. For more information or to contact the department, go to: https://www.canyons.edu/academics/paralegal/contact/index.php.

