

# Pathway to Law School

## Program Description

To assist the State Bar of California in its efforts to insure 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.

Completion of these courses enables students to self-identify as a California State Bar Council on Access & Fairness (COAF) Law Scholar for application to participating law schools including: University of California Berkeley, University of California Davis, University of California Irvine, University of California Los Angeles, Loyola Law School, Santa Clara University School of Law, University of San Francisco School of Law, University of Southern California Gould School of Law, and Pepperdine Caruso School of Law.

### Benefits of being a Law Scholar may include:

- Dedicated counselor and faculty champion
- Mentorship with a local lawyer or judge
- Extracurricular activities including visiting law schools and court houses; attending local bar events, on campus law events and workshops
- Free LSAT review course from Khan Academy
- Internships and service learning opportunities
- Some law schools may consider priority admission
- All participating law schools will waive application fee

Recommended Course Sequence: **M= MANDATORY, R = RECOMMENDED** All courses offered each semester unless indicated.

Fall Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
<b>M</b> PARLGL 101	Introduction to Law		3	CSU Elective
<b>M</b> ENGL 101/101H	English Composition (AP Exam Score of 3 or more acceptable)		4	IGETC 1A/CSU A-2
<b>R</b> COUNS 150	Student Success		3	CSU E/ UC Elective

Spring Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
<b>M</b> ENGL 103/103H	Critical Thinking (may substitute Coms 227 or Engl 112/112H)		3	IGETC 1B/CSU A-3
<b>M</b> MATH 140/140H	Introductory Statistics (AP Exam Score of 3 or more acceptable)		4	IGETC 2/CSU B-4

Fall Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
<b>M</b> COMS 225	Strategies of Argumentation		3	CSU A-3/UC Elective
<b>M</b> POLI SC 150/150H	Introduction to American Government and Politics		3	IGETC 4/ CSU D-6
<b>R</b> PARLGL 107	Legal Ethics (fall and winter only)		1	CSU Elective

Spring Semester				
Course	Title		Units	GE AREA
<b>M</b> HIST 111/111H	United States History I (may substitute w/any US History AIR GE*)		3	IGETC 3 or 4/CSU C-2 or D-6
<b>R</b> CWE 188 PLGL	Cooperative Work Experience		1-4	CSU Elective

\*Appropriate substitutions for the American Institutions Requirement (AIR) include: Econ 170, HIST 112, 120 or 130

**NOTE:** This Pathway is not a degree or certificate. Students must complete the mandatory courses in order to qualify as a COAF Law Scholar and must complete at least one course at College of the Canyons. Students must be in good standing and have never been on academic probation or suspension or in violation of the Student Conduct Code. These courses may meet General Education requirements for students' degree or major depending upon the students' chosen Associates Degree. Admission to law school has additional requirements, including a bachelor's degree, LSAT, and application. Schedule an appointment with Liz Shaker to determine if you qualify as a COAF Law Scholar!

For more information, visit [www.canyons.edu/lawschoolpathway](http://www.canyons.edu/lawschoolpathway) and complete the student interest survey

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