



# Paralegal Studies

**Degree:** Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)  
**Entry time:** Fall, Spring, Summer  
**Length:** 2 years (4 semesters)

## Program Description

Law, team player—three words defining the paralegal profession. Prepare to become part of the process. Learn about the legal system, legal procedure, legal documentation preparation, and various substantive areas of the law. Instructors incorporate their real-world work experience and knowledge into the classroom, preparing you to be job-ready.

## Career Opportunities

An A.A.S. degree prepares you for entry-level paralegal employment in the following areas:  
Law firms  
Corporate legal departments  
Government offices  
Banks  
Title companies  
Insurance companies

## Program Attributes

Attorneys teach all classes.  
Internship opportunities.  
Paralegal-specific scholarship opportunities.  
Member of the American Association for Paralegal Education.  
Legal professionals teach all classes.

## Sample Classes

Introduction to Law  
Fundamentals of Legal Research & Writing  
Civil Litigation  
Advanced Legal Research & Writing  
Contracts  
Torts  
Investigation for Paralegals  
Business Organization Law  
Real Estate Law  
Family Law  
Estate Planning/Administration  
Employment Law Topics  
Criminal Law and Procedure for the Paralegal  
Constitutional Law  
Administrative Law

## Scholarships

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## Questions?

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