

Program Degree Type and Name: BS Legal Studies

Catalog Year 2026-2027

Program Level: Undergraduate Academic Term Type: Sem

** Denote core course with an asterisk and (cc) next to the course number*

Year and Term: Year 1 Fall Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
ENGL 111: Composition I	3	x					
Math 115 or Math 116 or MATH 117	3	x					
Mercy Seminar I: First Year Seminar	3	x					
Gen Ed (Self & Society): SOCL 101 Int. Soc. or PSYN 101 Int.Psych	3	x					
*LAWS 361 (cc) Constitutional Law and Policy	3		x				In person
Term Credit Total:	15	12	3				
Year and Term: Year 2 Fall Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Gen Ed (Creative Expression) ENGL 217, 218 or 219	3	x					
PARA 260 Legal Research & Writing I or LAWS	3		x		C+ or better	LAWS 130	
Gen Ed (Ethical Reasoning) PHIL 110- Introduction to Philosophy	3	x					
Mercy Seminar III: Big Problems	3	x					
Open Elective (Recommendation: CRJU 301 Constitutional Law/Criminal Justice)	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	9	3	3			
Year and Term: Year 3 Fall Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 203 Law of Evidence)	3		x				
Major Elective (Recommendation LAWS 300 Legal Research/Writing II)	3		x				
Gen Ed (ENGL110/LANG 115/Elective)	3	x					
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Year and Term: Year 1 Spring Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
ENGL112: Composition II	3	x					
POLS 101: Political Power in America	3		x				POLS 101 - GC
COMM 110 Oral Communication	3		x				
Mercy Seminar II: Transformative Ideas	3	x					
**LAWS 130 Introduction to Legal Studies	3		x		C or better	ENGL 110 or place. ENGL 111	GC, CA
Term Credit Total:	15	6	9	0			
Year and Term: Year 2 Spring Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
PARA 260 Legal Research & Writing I	3		x		C+ or better	LAWS 130	
LAWS 250: Criminal Procedure	3		x				
General Education (Humanities) Recommendation: HIST 105 American History Through 1877 or HIST 106 American History Since 1877	3	x					
Gen Ed Recomomendation (Scientific Reasoning)	3	x					
Open Elective Recommendation: LAWS 120: Business Law	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	6	6	3			
Year and Term: Year 3 Spring Term							
Credits Per Classification							
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: PARA 302- Litigation)	3		x				
Major Elective (Recommendation: PARA 303- Probate, Estates & Trusts	3		x				
Gen Ed (LANG 116 or above)	3	x					
Open Elective COMM 246 Voice, Acting and Character				x			

Open Elective Recommendation HIST 101	3			x				Open Elective Recommended: LAWS 340 Business Law II	3			x			
	Term credit total:	15	6	6	3				Term Credit Total:	15	3	6	6		
Year and Term: Year 4 Fall Term		Credits Per Classification						Year and Term: Year 4 Spring Term		Credits Per Classification					
Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice	Course Number & Title	CR	GE	Maj	OE	SM	Co / Prerequisite(s)	Milestone/Advice
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 310 Intro to Law School Experience or Laws 220 The Art of Legal Reasoning)	3		x					Major Elective Recommendation LAWS 381 Workplace Experience II	3		x				LAWS 380 - ELC LAWS 380 - WBE
Open Elective ACCT 120: Intro to Financial Accounting	3			x		prereq: MATH 116 (for ACCT 120)		Open Elective	3			x			
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 380)	3		x				LAWS 380 - ELC LAWS 380 - WBE	Open Elective	3			x			
Open Elective	3			x				Open Elective	3			x			
Major Elective (Recommendation: LAWS 235 Argument & Debate in the Courtroom)	3		x				LAWS 235 - ELC	Open Elective	3			x			
Term Credit Total:	15	0	9	6				Term Credit Total:	15	0	3	12			
Program Totals		Credits: 120		General Education: 42 (must have 60 total Liberal Arts and Sciences)				Major & Major Elective: 45			Open Elective: 33				

Legend: CR: Credits GE: General Education Maj: Major / Major Elective OE: Open Elective SM: Success Marker Co/Prerequisite(s): List of co/ prerequisites for noted course GC: Gateway Courses CA: Career Activity ELC: Experiential Learning Course WBE: Work-Based Experience

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