

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS
2018-2019
PARALEGAL STUDIES

The paralegal profession is one of the fastest growing job fields in the nation. Paralegals hold increasingly important and high paying positions at large and small law firms, corporate legal departments, government agencies, banks, real estate and insurance companies, nonprofit organizations, and Silicon Valley startups. Evergreen Valley College's Paralegal Studies Program prepares graduates to work as a "paralegal" or "legal assistant" under California law (Business and Professions Code Section 6450). A student will qualify for an Associate in Arts degree by completing all core requirements with a grade of "C" or better in addition to the college's general education requirements.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate a proficient knowledge of the various areas of law and their importance.
- Describe the legal profession's basic ethical guidelines and apply them in hypothetical situations.
- Demonstrate effective legal research skills by selecting and utilizing appropriate sources of law.
- Prepare legal research memoranda and other documents commonly used by attorneys
- Use legal terminology capably in an appropriate context

Core Requirements:

LA	010	Introduction to Law, Legal Research, the Constitution, and Ethics	3.0
LA	071	Legal Research	3.0
LA	072	Advanced Legal Analysis and Writing	3.0

15 units of Legal Specialty Courses from the following list 15.0

LA	011	Overview of Contracts, Property, and Tort Law
LA	014	Civil Litigation
LA	016	California Courts and Litigation Practice
LA	033	Tort and Personal Injury Law
LA	036	Real Estate and Property Law
LA	038	Family Law
LA	040	Criminal Law
LA	042	Corporate and Partnership Law
LA	044	Intellectual Property Law
LA	046	Immigration Law
LA	050	Constitutional Law

Major Requirements	24.0
G.E. Requirements	<u>39.0</u>
Total Units	63.0