PARALEGAL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Paralegal Certificate program is designed to prepare students for meaningful careers in law-related disciplines through a comprehensive and rigorous curriculum based on the fundamentals of the law as it pertains to contemporary issues. Students are required to complete 36 credit hours for program completion. The educational objectives of the Paralegal Certificate program are as follows:

- Acquiring the requisite legal knowledge and practical skills for a successful career in the paralegal industry.
- Preparing for entry into a variety of law-related disciplines through leadership, a fundamental understanding of legal ethics, and career preparation initiatives.
- Demonstrating enhanced critical thinking, and research and advocacy skills in preparation for advanced studies in the law.
- Advancing career objectives through exposure to contemporary mediums of electronic research tools and legal technology.

For information on the admission requirements for this program, visit Paralegal Certificate (https://catalog.monroeu.edu/catalog/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/#text).

Requirements

Code	Title	Credits		
Major-Related Courses				
BL-201	Business Law I	3		
CJ-200	Criminal Law	3		
CJ-201	Family Law	3		
or LS-210	Healthcare Law for Paralegals			
CJ-205	Criminal Procedure and Process	3		
CJ-270	Fundamentals of Criminal Trial Practice	3		
or LS-205	Civil Litigation and Procedure			
LS-101	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3		
LS-201	Legal Research and Writing	3		
LS-225	Estates, Wills, and Trusts	3		
LS-250	Personal Injury Law	3		
LS-300	Law Practice Management	3		
LS-320	Real Property Law	3		
LS-330	Immigration Law	3		
or LS-310	Introduction to E-Discovery - Electronic Evidence	e		
Total Credits		36		

Recommended Sequence

Course	Title	Credits
Semester 1		
BL-201	Business Law I	3
CJ-200	Criminal Law	3
LS-101	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
LS-201	Legal Research and Writing	3
	Credits	12
Semester 2		
CJ-205	Criminal Procedure and Process	3
LS-225	Estates, Wills, and Trusts	3

LS-250	Personal Injury Law	3
LS-300	Law Practice Management	3
	Credits	12
Semester 3		
CJ-201 or LS-210	Family Law or Healthcare Law for Paralegals	3
CJ-270 or LS-205	Fundamentals of Criminal Trial Practice or Civil Litigation and Procedure	3
LS-320	Real Property Law	3
LS-330 or LS-310	Immigration Law or Introduction to E-Discovery - Electronic Evidence	3
	Credits	12
	Total Credits	36