

# El Camino College

# Paralegal Studies

## Associate in Arts



Earn an Associate in Arts degree with a Paralegal Studies major by completing 60 semester units including all major requirements, general education courses as listed in the college catalog and selected electives.

### Requirements for Paralegal Studies Major

Title Number	Descriptive Title	Units
<b>Required Courses</b>		
PARA 1 - Intro to Paralegal Studies		2
Law 5* - Business Law		3
Law 11 - Intro. To Legal Research		3
Law 16 - Civil Procedure		3
Law 17 - Legal Research & Writing		3
Law 19 - Law and Computers		2
Law 20 - Paralegal Seminar		3
<b>Complete four courses from the following:</b>		
Law 6 - Agency, Corp. & Partnership		3
Law 12 - Probate Procedures		3
Law 13 - Family Law		3
Law 14 - Tort Law		3
Law 15 - Civil & Criminal Evidence		3
Law 18 - Wills, Trusts & Estate Plan		3
Law 95abcd- Cooperative Work Experience Education		3-4
RE 12A - Legal Aspects of Real Estate		3
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>31-33</b>

\* Law 4 may be substituted for Law 5

### Paralegal Studies Certificate of Competence

A Certificate of Achievement will be awarded to those possessing an Associate, Bachelor or higher degree or who will be completing a degree concurrently with the certificate requirements. Students may earn this certificate by completing the major course with a B average or better.

### Other Requirements

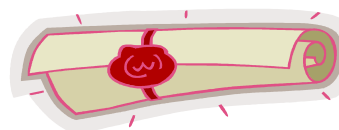
**Prerequisites:** Entrance to the program is gained by successful completion of Law 11, Introduction to Legal Research. The Prerequisite to Law 11 is eligibility for English 1A.

**General Education Requirements:** Associate Degree students must complete a minimum of 24 general education units. Of these 24 required units, 18 units must be approved by the American Bar Association. See reverse for ABA-approved courses. All students must meet with a counselor before beginning the Paralegal Studies program.

**In Residence Requirements:** A total of 15 units of Legal Specialty courses including Law 11, 17, 20 and six additional units selected from Law 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18 or 19 must be taken at El Camino College for degree/certificate.

*This program does not prepare students for law school or the practice of law. "No person shall practice law in this state unless he/she is an active member of the State Bar." Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code, Section 6125*

*Paralegals may not provide legal services directly to the public, except as permitted by law.*



**THIS PROGRAM IS APPROVED BY  
THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION**



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**General Education Requirements**  
**Approved by the American Bar Association**  
**A.A. Degree and Certificate of Achievement for the Paralegal Studies Major**

Students interested in Paralegal Studies are required to complete 18 units of general education coursework approved by the American Bar Association. Students must take courses **in at least three different disciplines**, such as social sciences, natural sciences, mathematics, humanities, foreign language and English. Any course below used for the 18 units of general education may also apply to the A.A. Degree requirements. Please consult with an El Camino College counselor for any updated information.

American Studies 7  
Anatomy 30, 32  
Anatomy and Physiology 34A, 34B  
Anthropology 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11  
Architecture 104  
Art 101, 102A, 102B, 102C, 106, 109, 150, 205A, 205B, 207, 208, 209  
Astronomy 20, 25  
Biology 8, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 101, 102, 103  
Child Development 103  
Chemistry 1A, 1B, 4, 7A, 7B, 20, 21A, 21B  
Chinese 1, 2, 3  
Communication Studies 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 12, 14  
Dance 101, 103  
Economics 1, 2, 5  
English 1A, 1B, 1C, 12, 15A, 15B, 20, 21, 23, 27, 28, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40A, 40B, 41B, 42, 43, 44, 47, 72  
Ethnic Studies 1  
Film 110, 151, 152, 153, 154  
French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 24  
Geography 1, 2, 5, 7  
Geology 1, 2, 15  
German 1, 2  
Global Studies 101  
History 101, 102, 105, 106, 108, 110, 111, 112, 114, 122, 128, 129, 140, 141, 143, 145, 152, 154, 162, 163, 165, 175, 176, 177, 178, 183, 184  
Humanities 1  
Italian 1, 2, 24  
Japanese 1, 2, 3, 4, 25  
Journalism 12  
Math 110, 111, 115, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 191, 210, 220, 270  
Microbiology 33  
Music 111, 112, 113, 116, 215A, 215B  
Oceanography 10  
Philosophy 101, 103, 105, 106, 107, 111, 115, 114, 120  
Physical Science 25  
Physics 11, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B  
Physiology 31  
Political Science 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 21  
Psychology 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9A, 9B, 10, 12, 15, 16  
Sign Language 111, 112, 113, 115, 130  
Sociology 101, 102, 104, 107, 112, 115  
Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 24, 52  
Theatre 103, 104  
Women Studies 1

( ) course no longer offered