



Academic & Career **PATHWAYS**

Associate **of** Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Paralegal Practice – Advising Guide

Students will receive a broad knowledge of substantive and procedural law and the specific skills required to be a productive member of today’s legal team. Students will learn legal research, legal writing and ethics. The program finishes with an internship class where students spend a semester actually working in the legal environment under the direct supervision of a lawyer.

**This pathway is designed for a Fall semester start*

Semester 1		
Course	Credits	Action Steps
PARA 100 (Program Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with academic advisor to build a degree plan in starfish
CSIS 115 (Program Requirement)	3	
CRJU 101 (Program Requirement)	3	
^ENGL 101 (General Education Requirement)	3	
PSYC 140 (General Education Requirement)	3	
Total Credits	15	
Semester 2		
^PARA 104 (Program Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Civics exam with 70% or higher
^PARA 126 (Program Requirement)	3	
HIST 120, HIST 121, or POLS 136 (General Education Requirement/Civics)	3	
^PARA 173, ^PARA 175, ^PARA 181, ^PARA 199A, ^PARA 199B, ^PARA 199C, ^PARA 224, ^PARA 248, ^PARA 278, ^PARA 279, ^PARA 283, ^PARA 284, ^PARA 292, ^PARA 294, ^PARA 299A, ^PARA 299B, or ^PARA 299C (Program Elective)	1-3*	
^COMM 100 (General Education Requirement)	3	
SOCI 160 (General Education Requirement)	3	
Total Credits	16-18	



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Semester 3		
^PARA 176 (Program Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Career Services to develop resume • Begin applying for PARA jobs. Jobs can be used for internship requirement.
^PARA 185 (Program Requirement)	3	
^PARA 173, ^PARA 175, ^PARA 181, ^PARA 199A, ^PARA 199B, ^PARA 199C, ^PARA 224, ^PARA 248, ^PARA 278, ^PARA 279, ^PARA 283, ^PARA 284, ^PARA 292, ^PARA 294, ^PARA 299A, ^PARA 299B, or ^PARA 299C (Program Elective)	1-3*	
^PARA 173, ^PARA 175, ^PARA 181, ^PARA 199A, ^PARA 199B, ^PARA 199C, ^PARA 224, ^PARA 248, ^PARA 278, ^PARA 279, ^PARA 283, ^PARA 284, ^PARA 292, ^PARA 294, ^PARA 299A, ^PARA 299B, or ^PARA 299C (Program Elective)	1-3*	
Any 100 or higher CRJU, Foreign Language, ^MATH, or CSIS (Program Elective)	3-5*	
Total Credits	11-17	
Semester 4		
^PARA 177 (Program Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for graduation • Apply for jobs
^PARA 173, ^PARA 175, ^PARA 181, ^PARA 199A, ^PARA 199B, ^PARA 199C, ^PARA 224, ^PARA 248, ^PARA 278, ^PARA 279, ^PARA 283, ^PARA 284, ^PARA 292, ^PARA 294, ^PARA 299A, ^PARA 299B, or ^PARA 299C (Program Elective)	1-3*	
^PARA 290 (Program Requirement)	3	
Any courses numbered 100 or above for BIOL, ^CHEM, GEOG (105 and 113 only), GEOL, ^MATH, or ^PHYS (General Education Requirement)	3 – 5*	
Any 100 or higher CRJU, Foreign Language, MATH or CSIS (Program Elective)	3 – 5*	
Total Credits	13-19	
Credits Required	60*	
<p><i>*The A.A.S. degree requires at least 60 total credits to graduate. When selecting a course from multiple options, please consider the number of credits for each course to ensure meeting the minimum requirements for graduation.</i></p>		

This Pathway Map is an advising tool designed for full-time students on this A.A.S. degree and identifies the course taking recommendation for timely degree completion. Degree requirements and prerequisite information can be found here: <https://mccckc.edu/programs/paralegal/> All students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor to develop an individualized completion plan that best meets their goals, interests, and objectives.

^Course requires a prerequisite or appropriate placement, see catalog for additional information.