

# LEGAL STUDIES MINOR

Minor Code: LGL

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The legal studies minor is designed to prepare students for successful admission to law school by exposing students to a variety of subject matters and providing a balance in students' educational experiences. Selecting courses from among those offered through the legal studies minor will help students develop oral and written communication proficiency, as well as acquire knowledge of legal history, theory, and philosophy. The optional Mock Trial course requires students to use analytical and problem-solving skills to construct factually sound and logically consistent oral arguments.

## Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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### Required Courses (9 credit hours)

PSC 250	INTRODUCTION TO LAW	3
PHI 103	INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC	3
or PHI 107	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL LOGIC	
PSC 485	MOCK TRIAL	3
or PSC 420	CONTEMPORARY CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES	
or PSC 421	DISCRIMINATION AND THE CONSTITUTION	

### Electives (9 credit hours)

Selected from at least two different departments:		9
BUS 334	BUSINESS LAW I	
BUS 335	BUSINESS LAW II	
COM 400	COMMUNICATION LAW	
CRJ 303	CRIMINAL JUSTICE THEORY AND IDEOLOGY	
CRJ 307	COMPARATIVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM	
CRJ 317	CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE	
CRJ 320	CRIMINAL COURTS	
CRJ 425	RACE, ETHNICITY, AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE	
CRJ 430	GENDER AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE	
ECO 360	INTRODUCTION TO THE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF LAW	

HIS 341	AFRICAN AMERICANS AND CIVIL RIGHTS
HIS 342	ENGLISH LEGAL HISTORY
HTR 470	LEGAL ISSUES IN HOSPITALITY
PHI 301	JUSTICE: LIBERTY VS. EQUALITY
PHI 304	PHILOSOPHY OF LAW
PSC 308	INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW
PSC 317	U.S. CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
PSC 320	U.S. CIVIL LIBERTIES
PSC 321	CIVIL PROCEDURE
PSC 398	LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING
SOC 380	SOCIOLOGY OF CRIME
SOC 383	SOCIOLOGY OF PUNISHMENT AND CORRECTIONS
SPC 321	RHETORICAL CRITICISM

**Total Credit Hours** **18**