

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (AAS)

The Associates of Applied Science Degree in Paralegal Studies is a program of study which qualifies its graduates to be employed in law and business related occupations, including private law firms, corporate departments and government entities. Substantive law is combined with thorough preparation in legal procedures, research methodology and practical knowledge. Elective course offerings will permit students to specialize in particular areas of interest. The Paralegal Studies Program provides the foundation for students to think critically and act ethically in accordance with the local and national rules of professional conduct. Graduates of this program will be prepared to perform high quality legal work under the direction of an attorney. The program encourages graduates to continue educational pursuits and seek community service opportunities.

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:**

- Demonstrate ability to manage cases and draft legal documents by applying written skills and knowledge of legal procedures in civil litigation and other substantive areas of law.
- Identify ethical issues and be able to apply the rules of professional conduct through synthesis and analysis.
- Demonstrate knowledge of research methodology by applying critical thinking initiatives to various information formats including computerized and traditional library research.
- Proficient use of word processing software and ability to identify and adapt to different types of law office technology and computer applications.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (25 Credits):**

**SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (38 Credits):**

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b> COM 101	3	_____
<b>ENGLISH:</b> ENG 100, 101, 113	3-5	_____
<b>HUMAN RELATIONS:</b> HIST 105, 106, 107, 150, 151, 210, 247, 260, PSC 201, PSY, SOC	3	_____
<b>MATHEMATICS:</b> MATH 120 or above (except MATH 122, 123)	3	_____
<b>SCIENCE:</b> AST, BIOL, CHEM, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, PHYS	6	_____
<b>FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCES:</b> AM, ANTH, ART, COM, ECON, ENG 223 or above, GEOG 106 or above, HIST, International Languages, Music, PHIL, PSC, THTR, WMST 113	3	_____
<b>U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS:</b> PSC 101 or HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>IS 101</b> Introduction to Information Systems	3	_____
<b>LAW 101</b> Fundamentals of Law I	3	_____
<b>LAW 231</b> Civil Procedure	3	_____
<b>LAW 234</b> Civil Procedure II	3	_____
<b>LAW 253</b> Law Office Management	3	_____
<b>LAW 259</b> Legal Writing	3	_____
<b>LAW 261</b> Legal Research I	4	_____
<b>LAW 262</b> Legal Research II	4	_____
<b>LAW 263</b> Ethics	3	_____
<b>Plus 9 credits from the following:</b>		
<b>LAW 204</b> Torts	3	_____
<b>LAW 205</b> Contracts	3	_____
<b>LAW 232</b> Criminal Procedure	3	_____
<b>LAW 250</b> Administrative Law	3	_____
<b>LAW 251</b> Bankruptcy	3	_____
<b>LAW 252</b> Family Law	3	_____
<b>LAW 255</b> Probate Procedures	3	_____
<b>LAW 258</b> Constitutional Law	3	_____
<b>LAW 264</b> Civil Evidence	3	_____
<b>LAW 295</b> Supervised Field Experience	3	_____
<b>RE 103</b> Real Estate Law and Practice	3	_____

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LAW-AAS **63** Total Credits

Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.



**Guided Pathway**  
**Associate of Applied Science-Paralegal Studies (AAS)**  
**Total Credits 63**

<b>First Semester</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Term</b>
Elective	Communications	3	
ENG 100, 101, 107, 113	English	3	
MATH 120 or Higher	Mathematics	3	
IS 101	Introduction to Information Systems	3	
PSC 101	Political Science	4	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>Second Semester</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Term</b>
LAW 101	Introduction to Law	3	
Elective	Human Relations	3	
Elective	Fine Arts	3	
LAW 263	Ethics	3	
LAW 259	Legal Writing	3	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Third Semester</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Term</b>
Elective	Science	3	
LAW 231	Civil Procedure	3	
LAW 261	Legal Research I	4	
LAW 253	Law Office Management	3	
Elective	Law	3	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>Fourth Semester</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Term</b>
Elective	Science	3	
LAW 234	Civil Procedure II	3	
LAW 262	Legal Research II	4	
Electives	Law	6	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	
	<b>Degree Total</b>	<b>63</b>	