

PARALEGAL STUDIES (0170)

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

The purpose of this program is to prepare students for employment as paralegals, legal assistants, and related positions, such as title examiners. Paralegals assist lawyers by conducting investigations, researching legal issues, drafting legal documents, interviewing clients, assisting in trials and other legal proceedings, and managing law office operations. Students who complete the program will be eligible to sit for the certified paralegal (CP) exam administered by the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA).

The Paralegal Studies degree program is offered fully online.

For additional information, visit our website at SJRstate.edu/criminaljustice or call (904) 808-7490.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES:

+ ENC	1101	Composition I.....	3
+ ENC	1102	Composition II	3
+*	_____	General Education Core Humanities	3
*	_____	General Education Core Mathematics	3
*	_____	General Education Core Natural Science	3

Choose one of the following Social Science courses:

AMH	2010	United States History to 1877	3
		OR	
AMH	2020	United States History Since 1877	3
		OR	
POS	1041	United States Federal Government.....	3

DEGREE SPECIFIC COURSES:

BUL	1241	Business Law	3
CGS	1100	Microcomputer Applications Software.....	3
PLA	1003	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
+ PLA	1104	Legal Research and Writing I	3
+ PLA	1303	Criminal Law and Procedure	3
+ PLA	1421	Contract Law	3
+ PLA	2114	Legal Research and Writing II	4
+ PLA	2200	Litigation	3
PLA	2273	Tort Law	3
PLA	2465	Debtor/Creditor Law	3
PLA	2600	Wills, Trusts, and Estates	3
PLA	2610	Real Estate Law.....	3
+ PLA	2763	Law Office Management.....	3
PLA	2800	Family Law	3
PLA	2880	Constitutional Law	3

REQUIRED TOTAL CREDIT HOURS

64

* Refer to A.S. degree general education core requirements on page 80.

+ Qualifying placement score or prerequisite course may be required. See course descriptions in catalog.

Note: Paralegals may not provide legal services directly to the public except as permitted by law. Florida prohibits the practice of law by non-lawyers.