



Paralegal Technology

degree and certificate programs

What is Paralegal Technology? The Paralegal Technology curriculum prepares you to perform legal tasks and assist lawyers with many types of legal work. A paralegal does not practice law, give legal advice, or represent clients in a court of law but they can assist with any type of legal work that a lawyer does. The Paralegal Technology program's primary goal is to provide you with the legal knowledge and practical skills necessary to become a competent, ethical professional. Paralegals play an important role in allowing lawyers to provide high-quality, reasonably priced legal services. As a result, it is a fast-growing field. Paralegals, sometimes also called legal assistants, work in law firms, government agencies, business organizations, and anywhere else that a lawyer might work. After completing a two-year degree many paralegals go on to get a bachelor's degree and some even go to law school.

Study Options

- Paralegal, Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)
- Paralegal Certificate (students who already have a college degree)

Employment Opportunities

Employment of paralegals and legal assistants is projected to grow 12 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations. Formally trained paralegals with strong computer and database management skills should have the best job prospects.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Paralegal, on the internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/legal/paralegals-and-legal-assistants.htm> (visited 3/3/2020). *Note: Job Outlook information is based on national statistics*

Program Outcomes

Students satisfactorily completing this program are permitted to register for the NC Paralegal Bar Exam scheduled semi-annually (fall and spring dates determined by the North Carolina State Bar Paralegal Certification.

<https://www.nccertifiedparalegal.gov>

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Degree Requirements

Paralegal Technology

A.A.S. Degree Program [A25380]

Certificate Program [Continuing Education]

Course and Hour Requirements

General Education Required Courses

Required Courses

	Credits
ENG 111	3
ENG 112	3
<i>Choose one:</i>	
MAT 110 or	
MAT 143	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
<i>Choose one: HUM115, PHI240, MUS110, or ART111</i>	
Social Science Elective	3
POL 130	3
Total General Education Required Hours	15

Major Required Courses

LEX 110 Introduction to Paralegal Study	2
LEX 120 Legal Research/Writing I.....	3
LEX 121 Legal Research/Writing II.....	3
LEX 130 Civil Injuries.....	3
LEX 140 Civil Litigation I.....	3
LEX 141 Civil Litigation II.....	3
LEX 150 Commercial Law I	3
LEX 180 Case Analysis/Reasoning	2
LEX 210 Real Property.....	3
LEX 240 Family Law	3
LEX 250 Wills, Trusts, and Estates	3
LEX 270 Law Office Management and Technology.....	2
LEX 273 NCCP Review Course.....	2
LEX 280 Ethics and Professionalism.....	3
LEX 289 Constitutional Law.....	3
ACC 120 Introduction to Accounting.....	4
BUS 115 Business Law I	3
CIS 110 Introduction to Computers.....	3
Total Major Required Hours.....	68

Certificate Options

Paralegal Technology Certificate (Continuing Education)

The Paralegal Technology Certificate prepares you to perform legal tasks and assist lawyers with many types of legal work. A paralegal does not practice law, give legal advice, or represent clients in a court of law but they can assist with any type of legal work that a lawyer does. The Paralegal Technology Certificate program's primary goal is to provide you with the legal knowledge and practical skills necessary to become a competent, ethical professional.

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The Continuing Education program requires students to have an Associate degree or higher to qualify to take the 300 hour course. Once complete, they are prepared to sit for the NC Paralegal Bar exam.



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