

WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS



Department of Legal Studies

BACKGROUND

- American Bar Association – Approved since 2002 <https://www.americanbar.org/groups/paralegals/>
- Types of students
 - CAPA (Campus Accelerated Program for Adults), traditional, certificate
 - Certificate student has a degree already
- Catalog when you enter is a contract with you

REGISTRATION

- Important that you meet with one of us every semester as soon as notice is sent out
- Not every class is offered every semester
- Electives offered every two years so plan ahead so you can take the electives you want
- Each academic year, we prepare a three-year schedule—ask us for the latest one!

DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES

- Download Student Edition of Legal Studies Policies: <https://artsci.laverne.edu/legal-studies/highlights/>
 - Goals and Objectives
 - Certificate to degree students
 - LS 301 & 304 require a minimum of a “C” grade
- Keep copies of major assignments because you need them for Senior Project Portfolio

LEGAL STUDIES WEB PAGE

- <http://sites.laverne.edu/legal-studies/>
 - Links to associations, legal research
 - Info on career
 - Results of surveys
- Bulletin boards in Miller Hall

OTHER BENEFITS

- Westlaw passwords – for all years taking LS courses
- Small classes
- Strong Professor-Student connections
- Excellent preparation for transition to career or law school
- Legal Studies education is applicable to many careers since law is a part of every industry

OTHER RESOURCES

- Coronavirus University Page: <https://laverne.edu/health/coronavirus/>
- Academic Success Center (tutoring): <https://laverne.edu/asc/>
- Accessibility Services: <https://laverne.edu/dss/>
- Counseling: <https://laverne.edu/counseling/>
- Campus Health Services: <https://laverne.edu/health/>
- Campus Food Pantry: <https://laverne.edu/chaplain/student-food-pantry/>
- Title IX (discrimination, sexual assault): <https://laverne.edu/title-ix/>
- Social Justice Reporting Form:
https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?UnivofLaVerne&layout_id=25

- Libraries – here and at College of Law
- Other Administrative Office on La Verne webpages