

Paralegal Program

A.A.S. Degree

Frederick Community College Pathway

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Catalog Year 2017-2018

Guided Pathway to Success (GPS)

Suggested schedules map your path to degree completion.

Full-time student: Follow the green semester blocks in order.

Part-time student: Follow the blue course sequence at your own pace.

Students should meet with an advisor each semester to carefully select and sequence courses based on their specific academic goals and interests. Visit Jefferson Hall or call 301-846-2471 (301-846-2625 TDD) for advising.

Students who take fewer than 15 credits each semester or who require developmental English or Math coursework will need additional semesters to complete their degrees. Summer and January term classes may help students to make faster progress.

General Education CORE courses can often be taken in any semester. One course must be designated as a Cultural Competence course. A minimum of nine credits must be taken at the 200 level. Refer to the college catalog for course details and the list of General Education and Cultural Competence classes. <http://www.frederick.edu/class-schedules.aspx#catalog>

Students are strongly recommended to consult an FCC advisor to select elective courses. Students planning to transfer may also reference ARTSYS, the Maryland Articulation System, www.artsys.usmd.edu.



Take this course within the first 24 credits.



Milestone course – take within recommend credit range to stay on track for completion.



This course is offered in the fall semester only.



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1 Recommended First Semester

1	Gen Ed CORE	EN 101-English Composition		3 credits
2	Concentration	LA 100- Introduction to Law		3 credits
3	Concentration	LA 103-Ethics for the Legal Professional		3 credits
4	Concentration	LA 104-Contracts OR LA105-Torts		3 credits
5	Gen Ed CORE	Arts & Humanities		3 credits

2 Recommended Second Semester

6	Gen Ed CORE	Mathematics		3 credits
7	Gen Ed CORE	Social & Behavioral Science		3 credit
8	Concentration	LA 104-Contracts OR LA105-Torts		3 credits
9	Concentration	LA106-Law & Technology		3 credits
10	Concentration	LA110-Legal Research		3 credits

3 Recommended Third Semester

11	Gen Ed CORE	Biological & Physical Sciences		3 credits
12	Gen Ed CORE	Wellness (Wellness course also satisfies PE/HE requirement)		3 credits
13	Concentration	LA120-Legal Writing & Documents		3 credits
14	Concentration	LA 220-Evidence & Procedure (Civil)		3 credits
15	Concentration	Departmental Elective		3 credits

4 Recommended Fourth Semester

16	Gen Ed CORE	General Education Elective		3 credits
17	Gen Ed CORE	General Education Elective		3 credits
18	Concentration	Departmental Elective		3 credits
19	Concentration	Departmental Elective		3 credits
20	Concentration	Departmental Elective		3 credits

*FCC has articulation agreements for students graduating with an A.A.S. in Paralegal and who are looking to transfer. For more information, contact the Counseling & Advising Office at 301.846.2471.

**Pre-Law Option: Paralegal program is one of many options for students interested in law school. The FCC Paralegal Program curriculum covers the same substantive and procedural courses offered at law school. Legal analysis (critical thinking), writing, technology, ethics, and professionalism are infused into all legal specialty classes. The Program Manager, a full-time faculty member, serves as a pre-law advisor and assists students with the law school application process.