

# PARALEGAL STUDIES/PRE-LAW (AA)

**Catalog Effective Term:** Fall 2024

**Program Code:** AAPSPL

**Credential:** Associate in Arts

This program prepares students for entry-level positions or further study in the field of law. Entry-level paralegal positions are available in legal offices such as corporate, prosecuting and public defense in addition to some courts. Under the supervision of an attorney, paralegals may assist with research, court filings, documentation and depositions. Students who wish to continue their education may continue on to a bachelor's degree or a Juris Doctorate degree.

## Articulation

Eastern Michigan University, BS degree

Copies can be obtained from the Counseling Office, a program advisor, or from the Curriculum and Assessment Office Web site: <http://www.wccnet.edu/learn/transfer-wcc-credits/articulation-agreements.php>.

**Minimum Credits Required for the Program: 60**

## Full-Time Students

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Semester</b>		
BOS 206	Personal Management Application and Internet Resources	2
CJT 130	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
CJT 156	Everyday Law	4
ENG 111	Composition I	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
CJT 120	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
CJT 160	Criminal Justice Constitutional Law	3
ENG 226	Composition II	3
MTH 160	Basic Statistics	4
SOC 100 or ECO 211	Principles of Sociology or Principles of Economics I	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
ACC 111	Principles of Financial Accounting	3
BMG 111	Business Law I	3
CJT 208	Criminal Evidence and Procedure	3
Nat. Sci. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#naturalsci">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#naturalsci</a> )		3
Soc. Sci. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#socbehavsci">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#socbehavsci</a> )		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
CJT 209	Criminal Law	3
COM 102	Interpersonal Communication	3
MUS 147	Art and Entertainment Law	3

Arts/Human. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma</a> )	3
Nat. Sci. Lab Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#natscilab">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#natscilab</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
General Education and/or open elective(s) to reach a minimum of 30 General Education and 60 total credits.	1
<b>Credits</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>60</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students wishing to transfer to EMU should follow the articulation guide.

## Part-Time Students

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Semester</b>		
CJT 130	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
ENG 111	Composition I	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
CJT 156	Everyday Law	4
MTH 160	Basic Statistics	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
COM 102	Interpersonal Communication	3
ENG 226	Composition II	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
ACC 111	Principles of Financial Accounting	3
CJT 120	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Fifth Semester</b>		
BOS 206	Personal Management Application and Internet Resources	2
MUS 147	Art and Entertainment Law	3
Arts/Human. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma</a> )		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>Sixth Semester</b>		
BMG 111	Business Law I	3
Nat. Sci. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#naturalsci">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#naturalsci</a> )		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Seventh Semester</b>		
CJT 160	Criminal Justice Constitutional Law	3
Soc. Sci. Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#socbehavsci">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#socbehavsci</a> )		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Eighth Semester</b>		
CJT 208	Criminal Evidence and Procedure	3
CJT 209	Criminal Law	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

**Ninth Semester**

SOC 100 or ECO 211	Principles of Sociology or Principles of Economics I	3
Nat. Sci. Lab Elective(s) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#natscilab">https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#natscilab</a> ) <sup>1</sup>		3
General Education and/or open elective(s) to reach a minimum of 30 General Education and 60 total credits.		1
<b>Credits</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

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