

PARALEGAL STUDIES (B.S.) - ONLINE

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Communication & Information Literacy ¹		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
	Communications Elective	3
	Information Literacy Elective	3
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Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful Online Learning	0-3
	Math Elective MATH 114 or higher	3
Critical Thinking ¹		
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview ²	4
	Critical Thinking Elective	3
Civic & Global Engagement ¹		
	Cultural Studies Elective	3
Social & Scientific Inquiry ¹		
	Natural Science Elective	3
	Social Science Elective	3
Christianity & Contexts ¹		
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey ²	4
Total Hours		39-42

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

² Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirement of RLGN 104 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirement of THEO 104 waived

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Core		
GOVT 200	Constitutional Government and Free Enterprise	3
GOVT 220	American Government	3
PLST 200	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
PLST 201	Legal Research	3
PLST 202	Legal Writing	3
PLST 205	Foundations of Law	3
PLST 206	Ethics and Professional Responsibility	3
PLST 220	Civil Practice	3
PLST 225	Tort Law	3
PLST 226	Contracts	3

Code	Title	Hours
PLST 230	Criminal Practice and Procedures	3
PLST 235	Wills, Trusts, and Estates	3
PLST 320	Constitutional Law	3
PLST 340	Family Law	3
PLST 450	Negotiations	3
PLST 460	Law Office Management	3
Total Hours		48

Code	Title	Hours
Free Electives		
Choose 30-33 credit hours of Free Electives ^{1,2}		30-33
Total Hours		30-33

¹ It is strongly recommended that the student choose PLST courses not already required by the degree.

² May need 18 hours of 300-400 level course work to fulfill upper-level courses graduation requirement

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- **120** Total hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- **25%** Of major taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman Year		
First Semester		
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview	4
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful Online Learning	0-3
	Communications Elective ¹	3
Hours		14-17

Second Semester		
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey	4
	Critical Thinking Elective ¹	3
	Information Literacy Elective ¹	3
	Social Science Elective ¹	3
PLST 200	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
Hours		16

Sophomore Year

First Semester		
	Information Literacy Elective ¹	3
	Math Elective ¹	3

Course	Title	Hours
Natural Science Elective ¹		3
GOVT 200	Constitutional Government and Free Enterprise	3
PLST 201	Legal Research	3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
Cultural Studies Elective ¹		3
GOVT 220	American Government	3
PLST 202	Legal Writing	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Hours		15
Junior Year		
First Semester		
PLST 205	Foundations of Law	3
PLST 220	Civil Practice	3
PLST 225	Tort Law	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
PLST 206	Ethics and Professional Responsibility	3
PLST 226	Contracts	3
PLST 230	Criminal Practice and Procedures	3
PLST 235	Wills, Trusts, and Estates	3
Elective		3
Hours		15
Senior Year		
First Semester		
PLST 320	Constitutional Law	3
PLST 340	Family Law	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
PLST 450	Negotiations	3
PLST 460	Law Office Management	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		120-123

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