PARALEGAL STUDIES - ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

The paralegal profession is one of the fastest-growing job fields in the nation. Paralegals hold increasingly important and high-paying positions at large and small law firms, corporate legal departments, government agencies, banks, real estate and insurance companies, nonprofit organizations, and Silicon Valley startups. Evergreen Valley College's Paralegal Studies Program prepares graduates to work as a "paralegal" or "legal assistant" under California law (Business and Professions Code Section 6450). A student will qualify for an Associate in Science degree by completing all core requirements with a grade of "C" or better in addition to the college's general education requirements.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Describe the legal profession's basic ethical guidelines and their importance, applying them in practice situations.
- Analyze a client's case, determining the legal issues to be addressed and the legal rules that apply.

Major Requirements

Course	Title	Units
Core Requirements		
LA 010	Introduction to Law, Legal Research, the Constitution, and Ethics	3
LA 071	Legal Research	3
LA 072	Advanced Legal Analysis & Writing	3
Select 15 units of Legal Specialty Courses		**15**
LA 014	Civil Litigation	
LA 016	California Courts and Litigation Practice	
LA 033	Tort and Personal Injury Law	
LA 034	Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning	
LA 036	Real Estate and Property Law	
LA 038	Family Law	
LA 040	Criminal Law	
LA 044	Intellectual Property Law	
LA 046	Immigration Law	
LA 050	Constitutional Law	

Total Requirements

Course	Title	Units
Major Requirements		24
Electives - 12 units A.S. applicable courses		12
G.E. Requirements		24
Total Units		**60**