

Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies

Sample Plan

The academic plan below is one pathway through the degree/certificate. It includes all requirements, taking into account recommendations from program faculty. Each student's plan may vary according to their initial course placement (<https://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/academicstandardsregulations/courseplacement/>), intended course load, additional majors and/or minors, and their placement into required prerequisite courses. Any change in the plan below can have an unforeseen impact on the rest of the plan. **Therefore, it is very important to meet with your academic advisor to verify your personal academic plan.**

Please review the following terms, definitions, and resources associated with the sample academic plan below.

- Each course in the far left column links to a pop-up bubble with a course description, prerequisite requirements, and associations with university requirements. For example, if a course fulfills a general education requirement, you will see that in the pop-up bubble.
- GER:** indicates a General Education Requirement (<https://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements/gers/>). GERs that also count toward degree/certificate requirements appear as a specific course in the plan. For these courses, "GER" is not indicated explicitly in the table, but if you click on the course, you will see the course's GER status in the pop-up bubble.
- Program Elective:** indicates a specific course selection determined by program faculty to fulfill a degree/certificate requirement. Students should seek assistance from their academic advisor.
- Elective:** indicates an open selection of 100-400 level university courses to fulfill elective credits needed to meet the minimum total credits toward the degree/certificate.
- Upper Division Program Elective:** indicates a specific 300-400 level course selection determined by the program faculty to fulfill a degree/certificate requirement. Students should seek assistance from their academic advisor.
- Upper Division Elective:** indicates an open selection of 300-400 level courses to fulfill elective credits needed to meet the minimum total credits toward the degree/certificate. These courses must be upper division in order to meet General University Requirements for the particular degree/certificate type.

First Year

Fall		Credits
LEGL A101	Introduction to Law	3
WRTG A111	Writing Across Contexts	3
GER Fine Arts		3
GER Oral Communication Skills		3
GER Quantitative Skills		3
Credits		15

Spring

LEGL A215	Legal Ethics and the Role of the Legal Professional	3
GER Humanities		3
GER Social Sciences ¹		3
Elective		3
Program Elective (Written Communication: WRTG A211 or WRTG A212 or WRTG A213 or WRTG A214)		3
Credits		15

Second Year

Fall

LEGL A374	The Courts	3
GER Humanities		3
Elective		3
Program Elective		3
Upper Division Program Elective (Advanced Written Communication: ENGL A311 or ENGL A312 or ENGL A313 or ENGL A414)		3
Credits		15

Spring

LEGL A352	Criminal Law: Murder, Robbery, and Other Crimes	3
LEGL A356	Legal Research, Analysis, and Writing	3
GER Natural Sciences		3
GER Social Sciences ¹		3
Upper Division Program Elective		3
Credits		15

Third Year

Fall

LEGL A367	Civil Procedure and Pretrial Practice	3
LEGL A377	Evidence, Investigation, and Discovery	3
GER Alaska Native-Themed		3
GER Natural Sciences w/Lab		4
Upper Division Program Elective (LEGL A312 or LEGL A315 or LEGL/PS A343 or LEGL A443)		3
Credits		16

Spring

LEGL A487	Trial and Advanced Litigation Processes	3
GER Intercultural Fluency		3
Elective		3
Upper Division Program Elective ²		3
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Credits		15

Fourth Year

Fall

LEGL A495	Legal Studies Internship	3-6
GER Integrative Capstone		3
Elective		3
Elective		3

Upper Division Program Elective ²		3
Credits		15-18
Spring		
LEGL A489	Legal Studies Senior Seminar	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Credits		15
Total Credits		121-124

¹ Courses used to fulfill the GER Social Sciences must be taken outside the legal studies major

² Only 6 credits of JUST A490 may be used to satisfy this requirement.