Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies will be able to:

• Produce superior university-level written documents and oral reports.
• Identify and accurately apply the rules of professional ethics governing lawyers and nonlawyer staff, and the rules governing the unauthorized practice of law in Alaska.
• Interpret and accurately apply legal terminology and foundational principles of substantive and procedural law in the analysis of legal issues.
• Develop and execute legal research plans using law library resources and commonly used legal research databases.
• Synthesize primary and secondary legal authorities and draft memoranda of legal analysis.
• Prepare legal investigation and discovery plans and draft legal pleadings that conform to the rules of civil procedure and incorporate standard techniques and resources for managing a case in litigation.
• Assess and critique theories of law and the impact of American law, both historically and currently, on social and economic relationships, access to public resources, and individual liberties.
• Construct from disparate fields of substantive law a unified theory of law as a mechanism for ordering social and economic relationships.