B.P.S. in Paralegal Studies

Overview
Degree Requirements

Description
The paralegal studies program is designed for the student who wishes to pursue a career as a paralegal or legal assistant.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

Goals/Mission Statement
Our mission is to educate students in a learning environment conducive to excellence in meeting the complex challenges present in justice-related services. Our faculty's goal is to expand the knowledge base and to integrate cutting-edge information into the learning experiences of students. In addition, the Department of Legal Studies' mission is to extend service to our constituents to enhance learning, program development, and justice-related service in Mississippi, the region, and the nation.

General Education Requirements
See the General Education/Core Curriculum for the School of Applied Sciences.

An additional 18 hours is required in the following related subjects: 3 hours of history, Pol 101 (3 hours), Phil 103 (3 hours), 6 hours of the same modern or ancient language, and Spch 102 or 105 (3 hours).

Course Requirements
The B.P.S. degree requires the following 18 semester hours of LA courses: LA 201, 204, 205, 303, 304, and 305.

Other Academic Requirements
For majors in this field, a minimum grade-point average of 2.5 must be maintained on all paralegal studies course work.

Specializations
- Emphasis - BPS 3+3
- Emphasis - Paralegal