

# B.P.S. in Paralegal Studies

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## 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: 124**

## 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

The general education requirements for the B.P.S. degree include Engl 101 (3), Liba 102 or Engl 102 (3), Engl 250 (3), 200-level literature (6), foreign language (9-12 with at least 6 at the 200 level and all in the same language), fine arts (3), history (6), Pol 101 (3), social science (3), Math 121 or above (3), Math 115 (3), natural science with lab (6-8), Spch 102 OR 105 (3), and Csci 103 OR 191 OR 192 (3). General electives are required to bring the total number of hours to 124.

All students must complete a minor.

## Course Requirements

This degree requires the following 42 credit hours of professional courses: LA 201, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 308, 401, 402, 405, 406, 495, 496, and an LA 3-hour elective.

