

Roadmap: Paralegal Studies - Bachelor of Arts AS-BA-PLST

College of Arts and Sciences
Center of Comparative and Integrative Programs
Catalog Year: 2015-2016

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designed as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Attribute	Notes
Semester	One [14 Credits]					
	PLST 18000 Introduction to Paralegal Studies and Professional Ethics	3				
	US 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience 1	1				
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	4 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
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Semester	Two [16 Credits]					
	PLST 28004 Principles and Practice of Litigation	3				
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	4 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
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Semester	Three [15 Credits]					
	PLST 28001 Legal Research and Writing	3				
	Legal Specialty Electives <sup>3</sup>	6				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	3 - 5				
Semester	Four [15 Credits]					
	PLST 38006 Applied Legal Research and Litigation	3	C 4		WIC	
	Legal Specialty Electives <sup>3</sup>	6				
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	3 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester	Five [15 Credits]					
	Legal Specialty Electives <sup>3</sup>	6				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
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	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester	Six [15 Credits]					
	Legal Specialty Electives <sup>3</sup>	6				
	College General Requirement <sup>5</sup>	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester	Seven [15 Credits]					
	PLST 36792 Internship in Paralegal <sup>6</sup>	3			ELR	
	College General Requirement <sup>5</sup>	3				-
	General Electives <sup>7</sup>	9				
Semester	Eight [15 Credits]					
	PLST 36792 Internship in Paralegal <sup>6</sup>	3			ELR	
	General Electives <sup>7</sup>	12				

## **Graduation Requirements Summary**

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Minimum		
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120	42	36	2.000	2.000	



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- 1. US 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits (excluding College Credit Plus and dual-enrollment) or students age 21+ at time of admission.
- 2. Fulfills College General Requirement.
- 3. Legal Specialty Electives (24 credits)

Choose from the following:				
PLST 28003 Family Law and Procedure (3)	PLST 28007 Estate and Probate Administration (3)			
PLST 35001 Environmental Law for Paralegals (3)	PLST 35003 Health Law (3)			
PLST 35005 Labor and Employment Law for Paralegals (3)	PLST 35007 Energy and Natural Resources Law (3)			
PLST 38003 Administrative Law and Process (3)	PLST 38005 Tort Law (3)			
PLST 42701 Evidence and E-Discovery (3)	PLST 42705 Bankruptcy Law I: Basic Fundamentals (3)			
PLST 42706 Bankruptcy Law II: Creditor-Debtor Relations (3)	PLST 42708 Real Estate Law (3)			
PLST 48002 Contract Law (3)	PLST 48300 Law of Corporations and Other Associations (3)			
PLST 48401 Patent Law (3)	PLST 48403 Patent Prosecution (3)			
PLST 48404 Copyright Law I (3)	PLST 48407 Trademark Law (3)			
PLST 48408 Trademark Prosecution (3)				

- 4. A minimum C (2.000) grade must be earned in PLST 38006 to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement.
- 5. One additional course taken from the Kent Core Basic Science courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Biological Sciences (BSCI), Chemistry (CHEM), Geography (GEOG), Geology (GEOL) or Physics (PHY). Students may take the courses listed in the "introductory" sequences with the restrictions noted above in the Kent Core Basic Science section. The course may not be from the student's major.
  - One additional course taken from the Kent Core Social Sciences courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH),
    Applied Conflict Management (CACM), Geography (GEOG), Criminology and Justice Studies (CRIM), Political Science (POL), Psychology (PSYC)
    or Sociology (SOC). The course may not be from the student's major.
- 6. Although required minimum credit hours for internship are 6 credit hours, it is recommended that students enroll in more than one internship. These hours are to be taken near the end of completion of the program and can be taken over several semesters. General elective hours can be used for internship hours.
- 7. Credits required depend on meeting minimum 120 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division credit hours

Foreign Language Note: Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must have the equivalent of Elementary I and II in any language, plus one of the following options:

- a. Intermediate I and II of the same language
- b. Elementary I and II of a second language
- c. Any combination of two courses from the following list:
  - i. Intermediate I of the same language
  - ii. MCLS 10001 Introduction to Structural Concepts for Language Students
  - iii. MCLS 20000 Global Literacy and Cultural Awareness
  - iv. MCLS 20091 Seminar: Global Literacy Case Studies
  - v. MCLS 21417 Multiculturalism in Today's Germany
  - vi. MCLS 22217 Diversity in Today's Russia
  - vii. MCLS 23217 The Francophone Experience
  - viii. MCLS 28404 The Latin American Experience
  - ix. MCLS 28405 The Spanish Experience

All students with prior foreign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may begin their university foreign language experience beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and fewer courses. This may be accomplished by: (1) passing a course beyond Elementary I through Intermediate II level or (2) receiving credit through Credit by Exam (CBE), the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Advanced Placement (AP) exam or credit through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program; or (3) being designated a native speaker of a non-English language (consult with the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Office for additional information). When students complete the requirement with fewer than 14 credit hours and four courses, they will complete remaining hours with general electives.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Kent Core (general education requirements), diversity, writing-intensive and experiential learning requirements. For more information about these requirements, please read the following sections in the University Catalog: Kent Core – <a href="https://www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core">www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core</a>; Diversity Course Requirement – <a href="https://www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity">www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core</a>; Experiential Learning Requirement – <a href="https://www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.">www.kent.edu/catalog/wic</a>; Experiential Learning Requirement – <a href="https://www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.">www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.</a>

Attribute Legend: DD Diversity–Domestic; DG Diversity–Global; ELR Experiential Learning; KAD Kent Core Additional; KBS Kent Core Basic Sciences; KCM Kent Core Composition; KFA Kent Core Fine Arts: KHU Kent Core Humanities; KMC Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning; KSS Kent Core Social Sciences; WIC Writing Intensive