



Legal Studies Bachelor of Arts Transfer Guide

This articulation guide combines the completion of an associate's degree from an Illinois Community College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Legal Studies at University of Illinois Springfield.

Most Illinois Community Colleges with Legal Studies/Paralegal foundation work offer an associate in applied science degree. An associate in applied science degree fills most, but not all IAI General Education Core Curriculum Requirements for undergraduate degree completion. Students may utilize electives at the Community College to satisfy the missing General Education requirements not fulfilled with the AAS. Those credits may also be completed at UIS if necessary.

Students who have taken an approved Legal Research and Citation course at an Illinois Community College may have LES 401 (Legal Research and Citation) waived upon entry to UIS. Other core and elective courses may also be waived. Students may check with the UIS advisor or on Transferology to determine whether the UIS Legal Studies program will accept other direct credit towards major requirements from the Community College they attended.

Students may be considered for admission to UIS as transfer students if they have attempted at least 24 transferable semester hours and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale from a regionally accredited institution. Remedial and developmental courses are not accepted.

UIS is a participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), a statewide agreement designed to allow you to complete the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC), as well as credit earned in select majors, between participating institutions. To determine IAI GECC at your community college, use the course planning worksheet available at iTransfer.org. This information is also available from your community college catalog or by speaking with your community college advisor.

MyCreditsTransfer is a statewide initiative designed to facilitate transfer within Illinois using the nationally available tool, Transferology™ (transferology.com/school/uis). Within Transferology™ you can find the courses that transfer between institutions, degree requirements your courses satisfy and different majors that institutions offer. To set up your free Transferology™ account and see how your courses will transfer, visit <https://www.transferology.com/school/uis>. To receive information about transferring to UIS, please visit <https://www.uis.edu/admission-aid/request-info>.

Please direct any questions about transferring to Allison Kling in the Office of Admissions Processing at admprocessing@uis.edu or 217/206-6156.

Please direct any questions about the Legal Studies Program, double major opportunities, etc. to Jill Briggs the program's academic advisor at jhelm3@uis.edu or 217/206-6561.

Transfer Guide: Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies Spring 2025

The below document is for reference only, but is the exact list needed for completion of both degrees. There are no extra requirements besides the ones listed below.

City Colleges of Chicago: Associate in Applied Science
(Harold Washington & Wilbur Wright)

University of Illinois Springfield: Bachelor of Arts

AAS: Paralegal

BA: Legal Studies

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IAI GECC Courses fulfilled with AAS at CCC

Required Program Core Coursework

Course #	Title	HRS	Course #	Title	HRS
ENGLISH 101	Composition I	3	LES/PSC 202^	Intro. to American Legal System	0^
ENGLISH 102	Composition II	3	LES 307	Law and Society	3
SPEECH 101	Fund. of Speech Communication	3	LES 401^	Legal Research And Citation	0^
	IAI Mathematics Course	3	LES 414	Am.Const.: Gov. Powers & Institutions	3
	IAI Humanities Course	3	LES/PSC 416	The American Const. & Civil Liberties	3
	IAI Social & Behavioral Sci.	3	LES 489	Closing Sem: Ethics & Current Legal ?s	3
*	IAI Physical/Life Sci. Course	3-4	LES Electives*		15
Total Minimum Hours in this Section:		21	Total Hours in this Section:		31

* One lab science required for either Physical or Life Science.

^ Notates if a requirement was fulfilled at CCC

Required Program Core Coursework

*Any LES-prefixed course that isn't listed above will count towards the LES elective requirement.

PARALEG 147	Intro to Paralegal Studies	3	the LES elective requirement.		
PARALEG 148	Civil Litigation	3	Additional University Requirements: Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE)		
PARALEG 149	Family Law	3			
PARALEG 219	Real Estate Law for the Paralegal	3	The Legal Studies BA requires ≥3 hours of internship for their ECCE Engagement Experience requirement. Students may take up to 6 internship hours towards the requirement; any hours beyond 6 will be general elective hours. Double majors may have different internship requirements & should consult with their LES/other major advisors.	6	
PARALEG 222	Contract Law for the Paralegal	3			
PARALEG 223	Tort Law	3			
PARALEG 225	Legal Research and Writing	3			
PARALEG 238	Legal Ethics for the Paralegal	3			
Total Hours in this Section:		24	U.S. Communities OR Global Awareness ECCE course	3	
Program Electives (Choose Two)			ECCE Speaker Series Course	1	
PARALEG 150	Legal Research and Writing I	3 hrs x 2	Total Hours in this Section:		10
PARALEG 220	Criminal Law for the Paralegal		UIS Requires 120 Minimum hours for Undergraduate Completion. These hours can be electives, a minor, interest courses, etc.		
PARALEG 224	Wills, Trusts and Probate				
PARALEG 226	Internship for the Paralegal				
PARALEG 227	Elder Law				
PARALEG 228	Environmental Law for Paralegal				
			Total Approx. UIS Hours: 53		

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Total Approx. City Colleges of Chicago Hours: 67

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