

# Law

Pre-Professional Advising  
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Law education prepares students to become attorneys, judges, public servants, teachers or administrators in government or the private sector. Attorneys are concerned with the interpretation of law and its application to specific situations. This involves in-depth research, writing reports and briefs, advising clients, and representing parties in the courts.

Law school consists of three years of graduate-level study. Instruction includes classroom lectures and discussion, considerable research and practice of courtroom procedures. Law school graduates must pass a state bar exam in order to practice.

Completion of a bachelor's degree is required for admission to most law schools. Students should have a strong academic record and high scores on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT). While law schools do not prescribe a specific undergraduate major for admission, a liberal education is the best preparation. Students planning a legal career should select courses that enhance oral and written communication skills, expand understanding of human values and institutions, and develop analytical reasoning and logical thinking. English, philosophy, history, literature and the social sciences are valuable areas of pre-law study. Courses in accounting and economics are helpful as well. Recent trends indicate that students with an undergraduate degree in the natural sciences are gaining in favor for law school admission.

Students interested in a legal career can obtain assistance through the Academic Advising Center for discussing program planning, professional schools, and financial planning.

## General University Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

### COMMUNICATIONS (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X.....	(3)	_____
ENGL 211X OR 213X.....	(3)	_____
COMM 131X OR 141X.....	(3)	_____

### LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0-1)

Complete the following:

LS 100X OR 101X.....	(0-1)	_____
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OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

### PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete either the following six courses:

ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X.....	(3)	_____
ECON/PS 100X.....	(3)	_____
HIST 100X.....	(3)	_____
ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X.....	(3)	_____
ENGL/FL 200X.....	(3)	_____
PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X, PS 300X OR JUST 300X.....	(3)	_____

OR Complete 12 cr from the above list PLUS two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

### MATHEMATICS (3-4)

Complete 3-4 credits from the following:

MATH 107X.....	(3)	_____
OR MATH 131X (except for BBA).....	(3)	_____
OR MATH 161X.....	(3)	_____
MATH 200X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 201X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 202X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 262X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 272X.....	(3)	_____

NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

### NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete 8 credits from the following:

ATM 101X.....	(4)	_____
BIOL 103X OR 104X.....	(4)	_____
BIOL 105X-106X.....	(8)	_____
BIOL 111X-112X.....	(8)	_____
CHEM 100X.....	(4)	_____
CHEM 103X-104X.....	(8)	_____
CHEM 105X-106X.....	(8)	_____
GEOG 205X.....	(4)	_____
GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X.....	(4)	_____
GEOS 101X-112X.....	(8)	_____
MSL 111X.....	(4)	_____
PHYS 102X OR 175X.....	(4)	_____
PHYS 103X-104X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 211X-212X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 211X-213X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 212X-213X.....	(8)	_____