

# 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 and engineering 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. See [www.uaf.edu/advising/degree/preprof/law.html](http://www.uaf.edu/advising/degree/preprof/law.html) for detailed information on preparing for law school while at UAF.

## Baccalaureate Core Requirements

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

### COMMUNICATION (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL F111X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
*ENGL F190H may be substituted.*

Complete one of the following:

ENGL F211X OR ENGL F213X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following:

COMM F131X OR COMM F141X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH F100X/SOC F100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ECON F100X OR PS F100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
HIST F100X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
ENGL/FL F200X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR F200X, HUM F201X OR ANS F202X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA F323X, COMM F300X, JUST F300X, NRM F303X,  
PS F300X OR PHIL F322X ..... (3) \_\_\_\_\_

OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language OR
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

### MATHEMATICS (3)

Complete one of the following:

MATH F103X, MATH F107X, MATH F161X OR STAT F200X. (3-4) \_\_\_\_\_  
*\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.*

OR complete one of the following\*:

MATH F200X, MATH F201X, MATH F202X,  
MATH F262X OR MATH F272X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite.*

### NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM F101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F115X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
BIOL F116X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM F100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM F103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM F104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM F105X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
CHEM F106X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOG F205X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS F100X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS F101X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS F112X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS F120X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
GEOS F125X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
MSL F111X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F102X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F103X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F104X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F115X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F116X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F175X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F211X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F212X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYS F213X ..... (4) \_\_\_\_\_

### LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test OR  
LS F100X or F101X prior to junior standing ..... (0-1) \_\_\_\_\_

### UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

Complete the following:

Two writing intensive courses designated (W) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_  
One oral communication intensive course designated (O) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_

OR two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) ..... (0) \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED ..... 38-39**