

# PARALEGAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE

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The American Bar Association has approved this program for the education of paralegals. Paralegals work under the supervision of an attorney or perform work for which an attorney is responsible. Paralegals do not practice law nor give legal advice. Admission requirements are a bachelor's degree or 60 semester hours (including a minimum of 18 in general education) from a regionally accredited college or university. The general education must include at least three semester hours in college-level English composition and 15 hours from at least three of the following academic areas: social and behavioral science, English composition and literature, foreign language, mathematics, humanities, natural science, appreciation or history of the arts. Students at the University of La Verne in any major may earn a certificate. See the department for details.

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## Requirements

### 32 semester hours

Same as the Core Requirements for the B.S., Legal Studies, except that LS 499 is not required. An elective in an area of interest is encouraged.

Code	Title	Semester Hours
LS 301	American Legal Studies	4
LS 304	Legal Research and Writing	4
LS 311	Law Office Computer Applications	2
LS 355	Advanced Research & Writing	2
LS 365	Litigation I	4
LS 368	Litigation II	4
LS 380	Torts	4
LS 390	Contracts	4
LS 490	Paralegal Internship & Ethics	4
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>		<b>32</b>