Legal Studies, B.A.

Mission Statement
The mission of the Legal Studies Program is to prepare students for their future professions by providing theoretical, experiential, and skill-based learning opportunities taught by experts in the field.

Student Learning Outcomes
Students graduating with a degree in Legal Studies should be able to:

Content
- Analyze and explain legal concepts in core legal studies areas, including constitutional law, evidence, and ethics
- Identify and apply legal research methods to solve discrete legal problems
Critical Thinking
- Critically analyze interrelationships among cases, statutes, regulations, and other legal authorities and determine which areas of law are relevant to particular situations
- Construct logical arguments to support specific positions, including evaluating alternative solutions

Communication
- Convey legal concepts in a clear and concise manner in oral and written form through the use of case briefs, group discussions, research presentations, legal memoranda, legal briefs, and oral advocacy

Integrity/Values
- Articulate the legal and ethical principles that underlie the legal system and guide attorney and paralegal conduct
- Apply principles of professional ethics to complex situations

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes
Throughout the Legal Studies Program, students demonstrate what they have learned through traditional classroom assignments and examinations, as well as applied research and creative activities. The program's curriculum emphasizes both collaborative and individualized projects that engage students in synthesizing their knowledge and skills from across the curriculum.

Prospects for Legal Studies Graduates
- Law School
- Court Clerk
- Human Resources Officer
- Judicial Assistant
- Law Librarian
- Legal Assistant
- Law Firm Administrator
- Real Estate Closer
- Court Administrator

Paralegal or legal assistant positions in a variety of settings including private law firms, government agencies and departments, corporations and non-profit organizations.

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