

Eugenio Maria de Hostos Community College of the City University of New York
Academic Advisement, Division of Academic Affairs

Academic Advisement Major Code # 57
For an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S) Degree in Paralegal Studies

Paralegal Studies

- *The Public Interest Paralegal Program offers an A.A.S. degree in paralegal studies with an emphasis on training students for public service legal work. Students will be trained in the skills necessary to provide paralegal services in legal service and legal aid offices, community and religious organizations, social services agencies, the courts, unions, and other public service institutions.*
- *The curriculum provides specialty training in the areas of Family Law, Employee and Public Benefit Law, and Immigration Law integrated with a general program of paralegal studies including legal writing and research as well as Hearing and Trial Advocacy.*
- *To insure access to the program for Spanish-dominant students, introductory law courses from the Public Policy & Administration Program that are required as part of the Paralegal Program are offered in Spanish as well as English.*
- *Students in the program will concentrate their studies in one of the three specialty areas: Immigration Law, Family Law, and Public & Employee Benefit Law. Each concentration includes an introductory course and an advanced course emphasizing practical implementation of legal services in the student's concentration area. Two, three-credit semester courses in a field placement office that offers services in the student's legal concentration are also required. Thus, upon graduation, the student will have completed twelve (12) credit hours of study in an area of legal concentration.*

The following represents the requirements for the A.A.S. degree in Paralegal Studies:

ENG 110.....	Expository Writing	3.0
ENG 111.....	Literature & Composition	3.0
Behavioral & Social Sciences.....		6.0

Choose two courses:

HIS 201	World History to 1500	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
HIS 202	Modern World History.....	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
HIS 210	United States History: Through the Civil War	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
HIS 211	United States History: Reconstruction to the Present...	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
POL 101	American Government.....	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology.....	3.0
<u>OR</u>		
PSY 101.....	General Psychology	3.0

Humanities3.0

Choose one course:

BLS 114.....	The African-American Experience
<u>OR</u>	
HUM 100	Introduction to Humanities

<u>OR</u>		
LAC 101	..... The Latino Experience In the United States	
<u>OR</u>		
PHI 100	..... Introduction to Philosophy	
<u>OR</u>		
VPA 192	..... Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
Natural Science	.....	4.0
MAT 100, 120 or 130	.....	3.0
Subtotal	.....	22

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS..... 36

LAW 101	..... Law & Social Change	3.0
LAW 202	..... Law & Evidence	3.0
LEG 101	..... Intro to Legal Systems	3.0
LEG 102	..... Law Office Management	3.0
LEG 130	..... Legal Research	3.0
LEG 131	..... Legal Writing	3.0
LEG 240	..... Legal Practicum I	3.0
LEG 241	..... Legal Practicum II	3.0
LEG 250	..... Hearing & Trial Advocacy	3.0

MAJOR ELECTIVES:

CHOOSE 3 COURSES:

CJ 101	..... Intro to Criminal Justice	3.0
LAW 120	..... Penal Law	3.0
LAW 125	..... Immigration Law	3.0
LAW 126	..... Family Law	3.0
LAW 127	..... Public & Employee Benefit Law	3.0
LAW 150	..... Criminal Law	3.0
Free Electives	.....	2.0
Total Credits	.....	60