

LEGAL STUDIES, MINOR

A minor in Legal Studies prepares students for a broad array of careers in law, public policy, government, criminal justice, the nonprofit sector, and social justice advocacy. The minor offers in-depth understanding of legal concepts, skills, and public policy, allowing majors in any discipline to enhance their understanding of the law in the U.S. This minor provides students with an understanding of the legal profession and helps them to prepare for law school or other graduate studies.

Students interested in pursuing the Legal Studies minor should contact the advisor (jmlove@roosevelt.edu) for the minor.

Requirements

- The Legal Studies minor consists of 18 credit hours
- Courses will be selected from the following areas within the minor:
 - 6 credit hours of legal ideas
 - 3 credit hours in public policy
 - 9 credit hours in legal skills (3 credit per area of specialization)
- All courses in the minor must be completed with a grade of C or higher and a minimum GPA of 2.0.
- At least 9 credit hours must be taken at Roosevelt University.

Students interested in the Legal Studies minor are encouraged to take POS 101 (<http://catalog.roosevelt.edu/undergraduate/courses/pos/>) to fulfill one of their social sciences requirements because it is a pre-requisite for some courses in the minor.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
LEGAL IDEAS		
Choose two courses in legal ideas		6
POS 329	PHILOSOPHY OF LAW	
POS 374	UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONAL LAW	
or CJL 330	CRIMINAL JUSTICE & THE CONSTITUTION	
POS 375	CIVIL RIGHTS & CIVIL LIBERTIES	
PUBLIC POLICY		
Choose one of the following		3
POS 311	POVERTY POLICY	
POS 315	EDUCATION FINANCE POLICY	
POS 326	FOOD JUSTICE:FOOD POLICY IN US	
POS 334	VOTING POLICY	
POS 352	HEALTH POLICY	
POS 363	URBAN POLICY	
POS 372	ISSUES IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC POLICY	
Or special topics course in policy approved by advisor		
LEGAL SKILLS		
Choose one course in an area of legal specialization		3
CJL 200	INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	
BLAW 201	BUSINESS LAW I	
PARA 303	CIVIL LAW	
Choose one course in legal reasoning		3
WRTG 160	THE ART OF PERSUASION	
PHIL 210	LOGIC	
PARA 101	WHAT IS LAW?	

Choose one course in professional communication or research 3

BCOM 301	BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS
PARA 302	LEGAL RESEARCH
PARA 304	LITIGATION I

Total Credit Hours 18

SAMPLE COURSE OF STUDY

A sample course of study for the Legal Studies minor is listed below. Students considering the minor are encouraged to create, in conjunction with their advisors, an appropriate set of courses tailored to their interests and career needs.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
LEGAL IDEAS		
POS 329	PHILOSOPHY OF LAW	3
POS 375	CIVIL RIGHTS & CIVIL LIBERTIES	3
PUBLIC POLICY		
POS 352	HEALTH POLICY	3
LEGAL SKILLS		
CJL 200	INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	3
PARA 101	WHAT IS LAW?	3
PARA 302	LEGAL RESEARCH	3
Total Credit Hours		18