PARALEGAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE: 156
Total Credits: 27
Catalog Edition: 2020-2021

Program Description
THIS PROGRAM IS SUSPENDED EFFECTIVE FALL 2019. STUDENTS MAY NOT ENROLL IN SUSPENDED PROGRAMS. STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THIS PROGRAM PRIOR TO FALL 2019 WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GRADUATE WITH THIS DEGREE AFTER SPRING 2022. PLEASE REFER TO THE PARALEGAL STUDIES AAS: 341.

The curriculum provides the student with basic skills in legal research, legal writing, and legal interviewing techniques. Competency is developed in at least three areas of substantive law selected by the student.

IMPORTANT NOTE: PARALEGALS MAY NOT PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES DIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC EXCEPT AS PERMITTED BY LAW.

Program Outcomes
Upon completion of this program a student will be able to:

- Locate and interpret legal statutes.
- Locate and interpret legal cases.
- Draft simple legal documents.
- Interpret the legal concepts in three areas of substantive law.
- Interpret the concepts of procedural law.
- Interpret citations of the law.

Program Advisors
Germantown, Rockville, and Takoma Park/Silver Spring

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For more information, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/academics/programs/paralegal-studies/paralegal-studies-aas-degree.html

To view the Advising Worksheet, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/documents/counseling-and-advising/advising-worksheets/current-catalog/156.pdf
Program Requirements
A suggested course sequence for full-time students follows. All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

Program Requirements
- ENGL 101 - Introduction to College Writing 3 semester hours
- OR
- LGST Elective
- LGST 101 - Introduction to the Legal System 3 semester hours
- LGST 102 - Legal Research 3 semester hours
- LGST 103 - Legal Writing 3 semester hours
- POLI 101 - American Government 3 semester hours
- LGST 104 - Interviewing, Investigating, and Communication Techniques 3 semester hours
- LGST Electives - Select any 3 LGST courses number 106 or above 9 semester hours

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Transfer Opportunities
Montgomery College has partnerships with multiple four-year institutions and the tools to help you transfer. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/transfer or http://artsys.usmd.edu.

Get Involved at MC!
Employers and Transfer Institutions are looking for experience outside the classroom.

MC Student Clubs and Organizations:  https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/life-at-mc/student-life/

Related Careers
Some require a Bachelor’s degree or beyond. Licensing Examiners and Inspector, Customs Broker, Lawyer, Paralegals and Legal Assistants, Court Clerk, License Clerk.

Career Services
Montgomery College offers a range of services to students and alumni to support the career planning process. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/career

Career Coach
A valuable online search tool that will give you the opportunity to explore hundreds of potential careers or job possibilities in Maryland and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. Get started today on your road to a new future and give it a try. For more information, please visit https://montgomerycollege.emsicareercoach.com

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