

Legal Studies Minor

This checklist is based on the current academic catalog and is subject to change. Students should meet with their academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress toward completion of the minor.

Curriculum Checklist

The Minor in Legal Studies consists of 21 credits from the following courses: (1) Required Course, (2) Groups 1-4 Courses, and (3) Elective Courses. Refer to Program Description for course prerequisites. See *Additional Requirements* on reverse.

REQUIRED COURSE

___ LAWL 231: Law and the Legal Environment (3)

**GROUP 1 – 4 COURSES – At least one (1) course from each of the following four groups:
(1) Law and Society; (2) Law and Government; (3) Law and Business; and (4) Law and Science**

GROUP 1: LAW AND SOCIETY – Choose at least one (1) course

- ___ COMM 321: Argument and Analysis (3)
- ___ COMM 313: Conflict Management and Resolution (3)
- ___ CRJU 101: Introduction to Criminal Justice (3)
- ___ CRJU 220: Intro to Criminal Law & Procedure (3)
- ___ ENGL 152: Literature and Society (3) {when focused on law and legal texts}*
Requires approval of program coordinator
- ___ LAWL 120: Personal Legal Decisions (3)
- ___ LAWL 340: Law and Literature (3)
- ___ PHIL 102: Critical Thinking (3)
- ___ PHIL 205: Medical Ethics (3)
- ___ PHIL 221: Contemporary Moral Problems (3)
- ___ PHIL 203: Business Ethics (3)
- ___ PHIL 304: Philosophy of Law (3)
- ___ PHIL 305: Political Philosophy (3)

GROUP 2: LAW AND GOVERNMENT – Choose at least one (1) course

- ___ POLI 110: US Government: Participation & Policy (3)
- ___ POLI 330: Introduction to Public Administration (3)
- ___ POLI 221: Constitutional Law I (3)
- ___ POLI 322: Constitutional Law II (3)
- ___ POLI 423: The Judicial Process (3)
- ___ POLI 427: International Law and Organization (3)

Additional groups and requirements on reverse.

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GROUP 3: LAW AND BUSINESS – Choose at least one (1) course

- ECON 315: Business Government (3)
- ECON 329: Environmental & Resource Economics (3)
- LAWL 332: Business and Commercial Law (3)
- LAWL 336: Legal Aspects of Fraud Examination (3)
- LAWL 350: Environmental Law & Policy (3)
- LAWL 360: Employment Discrimination (3)
- LAWL 475: Negotiation and ADR (3)
- MEDJ 390: Media Law & Ethics (3)

GROUP 4: LAW AND SCIENCE – Choose at least one (1) course

- CHEM 103: Crime Scenes and Chemistry (3)
- EGGG 105: Environmental Issues and Choices (3)
- EGGG 250: Elements of Planning (3)
- EGGG 301: Water Resources Management (3)
- EGGG 302: Land Resources Management (3)
- EGGG 386: US Fed'l Lands - Geography, Poli, Mgt (3)

ELECTIVE COURSES – Any two (2) courses or electives from the following options:

1. Additional courses from Groups 1 – 4 listed here
2. Internship in legal studies, or with approval of program coordinator, a law-focused course in the honors program, an international exchange course; or other approved course
3. Courses in the first year of law school, if a participant in a “3+3” B.A./J.D. program

- Elective course
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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. A minimum of 15 of the 21 credits must be taken at Commonwealth University.
2. A minimum cumulative average of 2.0 must be achieved in all minor courses required.
3. At least two of the elective courses, in addition to the required LAW 231 Law and the Legal Environment, must be 300 or 400 level.

Total Credits Required for the Minor (21 Credits)

Campus Locations – Please consult your advisor.