Pre-Law Studies

The major in pre-law studies provides students with the well-rounded education needed for admission to law schools. Emphasis is placed on the verbal, critical thinking and analytical skills that are considered vital for success as a law student and as a member of the legal profession. This major also allows students interested in a career in business or government to gain an understanding of the complex legal issues they will face in their professions. The core program courses may be taken in any sequence providing the required pre-requisite have been met. Students may also select elective courses, other than those recommended, from the following disciplines: psychology, sociology, behavioral science, information technology, human resources management, finance, management and marketing.

Career Opportunities for Pre-Law Studies

- Corporate Practice
- Federal Government
- Judicial Clerkships
- Politics
- Private Practice
- Financial Planning, Investment Banking, Estate Planning
- Law Firm Administration
- Law Librarianship
- Public Interest Law
- Teaching
- State & Local Government
- Patent & Copyright Law
- Energy Law Natural Resources & Environmental Law
- Legal Publishing/Journalism
- Higher Education Administration

Employers of Pre-Law

- Any Large Corporation
- Government
- Federal Courts of Appeal and District Court
- Public Interest Advocacy Groups
- Trade and Professional Associations
- Political Action Committees
- Law Firms
- Congressional Representatives at National, State, and Local Government
- Legal Clinics
- Universities and Colleges
- Law Schools
- Business Schools
- Paralegal Schools
- District Attorney's Office
- Attorney General's Office
- Insurance Companies
- Legal Publishers
- Private Law Firms

Professional Associations and Affiliations

- American Bar Association
  http://www.abanet.org/
- National Association for Paralegal Associations, Inc.
  http://www.paralegals.org/
- National Association for Law Placement
  http://www.nalp.org/careerpaths/index.php
- Law School Admission Council
  http://www.lsac.org/
- Lawyers from the Occupational Outlook Handbook
  http://stats.bls.gov/oco/ocos053.htm
- Paralegals and Legal Assistants from the Occupational Outlook Handbook
  http://stats.bls.gov/oco/ocos114.htm