

# Paralegal

Associate of Applied Science

Frederick Community College Pathway

## Guided Pathway to Success (GPS)

Suggested schedules map your path to degree completion.

**Full-time student:** Follow the green semester blocks in order.

**Part-time student:** Follow the blue course sequence at your own pace.

**Students should meet with an advisor each semester** to carefully select and sequence courses based on their specific academic goals and interests.

Students who take fewer than 15 credits each semester or who require developmental English or math coursework will need additional semesters to complete their degrees. Summer and January term classes may help students to make faster progress.

General Education CORE courses can often be taken in any semester. One course must be designated as a Cultural Competence course. A minimum of nine credits must be taken at the 200 level.

**Refer to the college catalog for course details and the list of General Education and Cultural Competence classes.**

<http://www.frederick.edu/class-schedules.aspx#catalog>

**Students are strongly recommended to consult an FCC advisor to select elective courses.** Students planning to transfer may also reference ARTSYS, the Maryland Articulation System, [www.artsys.usmd.edu](http://www.artsys.usmd.edu).



Take this course within the first 24 credits.



Milestone course – take within recommend credit range to stay on track for completion.



This course is offered in the fall semester only.



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## 1 Recommended First Semester

1	Gen Ed CORE	EN 101-English Composition		3 credits
2	Departmental Requirements	LA 100- Introduction to Law		3 credits
3	Departmental Requirements	LA 103-Ethics for the Legal Professional		3 credits
4	Departmental Requirements	LA 104-Contracts OR LA105-Torts		3 credits
5	Gen Ed CORE	Arts & Humanities		3 credits

## 2 Recommended Second Semester

6	Gen Ed CORE	Mathematics		3 credits
7	Gen Ed CORE	Social & Behavioral Science		3 credit
8	Departmental Requirements	LA 104-Contracts OR LA105-Torts		3 credits
9	Departmental Requirements	LA106-Technology for the Legal Profession		3 credits
10	Departmental Requirements	LA200-Legal Research		3 credits

## 3 Recommended Third Semester

11	Gen Ed CORE	Biological & Physical Sciences		3 credits
12	Gen Ed CORE	Wellness (Wellness course also satisfies PE/HE requirement)		3 credits
13	Departmental Requirements	LA205-Legal Writing		3 credits
14	Departmental Requirements	LA 220-Civil Litigation		3 credits
15	Departmental Requirements	Departmental Elective		3 credits

## 4 Recommended Fourth Semester

16	Gen Ed CORE	General Education Elective		3 credits
17	Gen Ed CORE	General Education Elective		3 credits
18	Departmental Requirements	Departmental Elective		3 credits
19	Departmental Requirements	Departmental Elective		3 credits
20	Departmental Requirements	Departmental Elective		3 credits

\*FCC has articulation agreements for students graduating with an A.A.S. in Paralegal who are looking to transfer. For more information, contact the Counseling & Advising Office at 301.846.2471.

\*\*Pre-Law Option: Paralegal program is one of many options for students interested in law school. The FCC Paralegal Program curriculum covers the same substantive and procedural courses offered at law school. Legal analysis (critical thinking), writing, technology, ethics, and professionalism are infused into all legal specialty classes. The Program Manager, a full-time faculty member, serves as a pre-law advisor and assists students with the law school application process.