

PARALEGAL STUDIES, CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY (CPLG)

Students must take at least nine (9) semester credits or the equivalent of legal specialty courses through synchronous instruction.

Curriculum

The College will award a certificate of proficiency to students who complete 30 credits of an approved career program. These credits will not normally include physical education, developmental, basic and/or continuing education courses and will usually consist of 24 credits in the career specialty and six credits in general education. At least 50 percent of the credits must be earned at Delaware County Community College. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. At least six credit hours must be in courses that are awarded grade points.

First Semester		Hours
PLG 100	Introduction to the Paralegal Profession	3
PLG 110	Legal Research and Writing I	3
PLG 130	Technology in the Law	3
PLG 240	Criminal Law and Procedure	3
Hours		12
Second Semester		Hours
PLG 120	Legal Research and Writing II	3
PLG 140	Contract Law	3
PLG 220	Real Estate Law	3
PLG Elective		3
Hours		12
Third Semester		Hours
PLG 210	Civil Litigation and Tort Principles	3
PLG 199 or PLG 197	Paralegal Experience and Legal Ethics or Paralegal Practicum and Legal Ethics	3-4
Hours		6-7
Fourth Semester		Hours
PLG 211	Civil Litigation and Tort Applications	3
ACC 100	Applied Accounting	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		36-37

Notes

PLG Elective:

Code	Title	Hours
Select six (6) credits from:		
PLG 200	Family Law	3
PLG 230	Estates, Trusts and Wills	3
PLG 241	Administrative Law	3
PLG 242	Business Organizations	3
PLG 243	Bankruptcy Law	3
PLG 244	Labor and Employment Law	3
PLG 246	Elder Law	3

A maximum of twelve (12) PLG (legal specialty) credits may be transferred in from an ABA accredited college or university.

No more than nine (9) specialty credits may be awarded for Credit for Prior Learning assessment by portfolio or exam.