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BS: Justice and Law Administration — Paralegal Preparation Option (120 S.H. required to complete the degree)

Name:_____ Adviser:_____

WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

General Education Requirements (42 S.H.)

COMMUNICATION SKILLS (3 S.H.) Choose one of the following: COM 160 Public Speaking, COM 161 Decision Making in Groups, COM 162 Interpersonal Communication **or** COM 163 Introduction to Communication Skills		
COM:	3	
WRITING INTENSIVE (W) All students must complete at least one writing intensive course. W courses can be found in several disciplines. The credits will be counted in the discipline associated with the course. **NOTE:** WRT 101 does not satisfy the writing intensive requirement. JLA 321W will meet this requirement.		
Course:	Y/N	
HUMANITIES (15 S.H.) Including 3 of 7 fields: Communication, Fine and Applied Arts (*NOTE: only one studio course accepted toward minimum*), Humanistic Studies, Literature, Philosophy, History, and Foreign Language. **NOTE:** *For Foreign Language courses you must complete Elementary II or higher before counting Elementary I as Humanities credit.*		
Elective:	3	
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SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (12 S.H.) Courses that satisfy this requirement can be found in Social Sciences (Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Social Sciences, and Sociology), Non-Western Cultures and Psychology.		
PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology	3	
PS 102 American Government	3	
Elective:	3	
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NATURAL SCIENCES, MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (10 S.H.) Students must complete two lab science and two math courses.		
MAT 120 Elementary Statistics	3	
Lab Science	3 – 4	
Math/CS/Science Elective:	3 – 4	
HEALTH PROMOTION AND EXERCISE SCIENCES (2 S.H.)		
HPX 177 Fitness for Life — Lecture	1	
HPX 177 Fitness for Life — Lab	1	

Overall cumulative G.P.A. of 2.30 is required.

*** Minimum G.P.A. of 2.30 or better is required.**

Major Requirements (39 S.H. + 15 S.H. Option)

Need 2.0 overall G.P.A. in all **major** courses.

BS CORE REQUIREMENTS (39 S.H.)		
MIS 260 Information Systems Concepts	3	
JLA 100 Introduction to Criminal Justice I	3	
JLA 150 Introduction to Criminal Justice II	3	
JLA 200 Writing for the Justice Professions (Writing Intensive)	3	
JLA/SOC 201 Criminology	3	
JLA/SOC 205 Juvenile Delinquency	3	
JLA 210 Criminal Law	3	
JLA 240 Commercial Law	3	
JLA 305 Justice and Law Administration I*	3	
JLA 310 Justice and Law Administration II*	3	
JLA/PS 322 Constitutional Law	3	
JLA 400 Research Methodology in JLA*	3	
JLA 405 Research Seminar in JLA*	3	
PARALEGAL PREPARATION SEQUENCE OPTION (15 S.H.)		
JLA 250 Family Law	3	
JLA/ENG 321W Legal Writing, Research, and Analysis	3	
JLA 339 Torts	3	
JLA 340 Wills, Estates, and Trust Administration	3	
JLA/FIN 318 Real Estate Law	3	
FREE ELECTIVES (24 S.H.)		
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Free electives offer an opportunity to complete a minor, study a second language, study abroad, or participate in an internship. Make a plan.

NOTES

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Four-Year Plan This is a sample sequence of courses. Other combinations are possible.

Pre-requisites are in parentheses; see catalog for details.
Class standing by credit: Freshman: 0-29 credits; Sophomore: 30-59 credits; Junior: 60-89 credits; Senior: 90+ credits

FIRST YEAR (30 S.H.)	SEMESTER 1 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 2 (15 S.H.)		
	WRT 101 Composition I **or** Writing Intensive	3		JLA 200 Writing for the Professions	3	
	MAT 100 **or** Gen Ed Math/CS (Math must be above 100 level)	3		Gen Ed: Math 120 Elementary Statistics	3	
	Gen Ed: Communication Skills	3		Gen Ed: Humanities	3	
	JLA 100 Introduction to Criminal Justice I	3		JLA 150 Introduction to Criminal Justice II	3	
	MIS 260 Information Systems Concepts	3		PS 102 American Government	3	

SECOND YEAR (31-32 S.H.)	SEMESTER 3 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 4 (16 S.H.)		
	PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology	3		JLA/SOC 205 Juvenile Delinquency (SOC 100 OR JLA 100)	3	
	JLA/SOC 201 Criminology (SOC 100 or JLA 100)	3		JLA 240 Commercial Law	3	
	Gen Ed: Humanities	3		Gen Ed: Humanities	3	
	Gen Ed: Lab Science	4		JLA/ENG 321 Legal Writing, Research and Analysis	3	
	JLA 210 Criminal Law	3		Gen Ed: Lab Science	4	
	Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3				

THIRD YEAR (32 S.H.)	SEMESTER 5 (14 S.H.)			SEMESTER 6 (15 S.H.)		
	JLA 305 Justice and Law Administration I (JLA 100, JLA 150, completion of 60 credits and GPA ≥ 2.3)	3		JLA 310 Justice and Law Administration II (completion of 75 credits and GPA ≥ 2.3)	3	
	JLA/PS 322 Constitutional Law	3		Elective	3	
	Gen Ed: Humanities	3		Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	
	Gen Ed: Math/Science/CS	3		JLA 339 Torts	3	
	HPX 177 Fitness for Life Lecture & Lab	3		JLA 340 Wills, Estates, and Trust Administration	3	
	Complete a degree audit and plan for application for graduation					

FOURTH YEAR (30 S.H.)	SEMESTER 7 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 8 (15 S.H.)		
	JLA 400 Research Methodology in JLA (MAT 120, Writing Intensive course, completion of 60 credits and GPA ≥ 2.3)	3		JLA 405 Research Seminar in JLA (JLA 400. Writing Intensive course, completion of 75 credits and GPA ≥ 2.3)	3	
	Gen Ed: Humanities	3		JLA 250 Family Law	3 - 12	
	JLA/FIN 318 Real Estate Law	3		Elective	3	
	Elective	3		Elective	3	
	Elective	3-4		Elective	3	

The number of free electives available will vary based on your initial math and writing placement tests. MAT100 and WRT101 if required, count as elective credit.