# Amarillo College

**Legal Studies Curriculum Map**

Division: Legal Studies

**Degree/Academic Program(s): A.A.S.** (LGLA.AAS; LGLA.CERT.PRO)

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Purpose Statement: The mission of the Legal Studies/Paralegal Program is to provide students with a high

quality legal/paralegal education that will prepare them for a successful career in the legal profession.

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| **Goal #1:****TO GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO DEMONSTRATE EFFECTIVE INTERVIEWING AND INVESTIGATING SKILLS.** |
| **Program- Specific Courses** | **PLO #1:****75% of graduates will be able to formulate effective questions to compile information for document drafting by earning at least 75% on written and oral assignments.** | **PLO #2:****75% of graduates will be able to distinguish between effective and ineffective investigating techniques by earning at least 75% on written assignments.** | **PLO #3:****75% of graduates will be able to identify effective interviewing techniques as measured by obtaining at least 75% on written and oral assignments.** | **PLO #4:** | **PLO #5:** |
| **LGLA 1301** | **D** | **D** | **D** |  |  |
| **LGLA 1307** | **I** | **I** | **I** |  |  |
| **LGLA 1309** | **I** | **I** | **I** |  |  |
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| **LGLA 2305** | **D** | **D** | **D** |  |  |
| **LGLA 2309** |  |  | **D** |  |  |
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**Goal #2:**

**TO GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO EMPLOY CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS IN APPLYING RECOGNIZED LEGAL AUTHORITY TO A SPECIFIC FACTUAL SITUATION.**

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| **Program- Specific Courses** | **PLO #1:****70% of graduates will identify legal issues presented as measured by earning 70% on written assignments and oral presentations.** | **PLO #2:****70% of graduates will evaluate legal authority governing presented legal issues as measured by earning 70% on written assignments.** | **PLO #3:****70% of students will apply the law to a fact scenario using the legal reasoning tool known as IRAC(Issue, Rule, Application, Conclusion) as measured by earning 70% on written assignments and oral presentations.** | **PLO #4:** | **PLO #5:** |
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| **Goal #3: TO GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO WILL EFFECTIVELY INTERACT WITH LAWYERS, CLIENTS, COURT PERSONNEL, WITNESSES AND OTHER BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS.** |
| **Program- Specific Courses** | **PLO #1:****70% of students will compare/contrast the different roles in the legal profession as measured by earning 70% on written examination** | **PLO #2:****70% of students will distinguish between effective and ineffective communication techniques by earing 70% on written** | **PLO #3:****70% of students effectively evaluate communication techniques as measured by earning at least 70% on mock interviews,** | **PLO #4:****70% of students will perform teambuilding strategies/conflict resolution by earning at least 70% on group projects and presentations.** | **PLO #5:****70% of students will distinguish between paralegal function and unauthorized practice of law as measured by** |

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|  |  | **examinations and oral presentations** | **mock trials, and other presentations.** |  | **earning at least 70% on written assignments.** |
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| **Goal #4: TO GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF BASIC LEGAL TERMINOLOGY** |
| **Program- Specific Courses** | **PLO #1:****75% of students will compare/contrast the similarities and differences of civil law and criminal law** | **PLO #2:****75% of students will employ legal terminology to analyze legal issues by earning 75% on written examinations and essays** | **PLO #3:****75% of students will compare/contrast legal documents similarities and differences of legal documents by earning 75% on written assignments and examinations** | **PLO #4:** | **PLO #5:** |
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| **LGLA 1309** | **D** | **D** | **D** |  |  |
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| **Goal #5:****TO GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO DEMONSTRATE SOUND ABILITY TO CREATE, ORGANIZE AND MANAGE INFORMATION THROUGH COMPUTERIZED DATABASES.** |
| **Program- Specific Courses** | **PLO #1:****75% of graduates will be able to draft legal documents using legal software programs by earning 75% on written assignments** | **PLO #2:****75% of graduates will be able to distinguish between effective and ineffective information organization techniques by earning at least 75% on written assignments** | **PLO #3:****75% of graduates will be able to identify effective interviewing techniques as measured by obtaining at least 75% on written and oral assignments.** | **PLO #4:****75% of students will understand the ethical guidelines for storage of client information** | **PLO #5:** |
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| **LGLA 1307** | **I** | **I** | **I** | **I** |  |
| **BCIS 1305** | **I** | **I** | **I** | **I** |  |
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