



LEGAL STUDIES

OUR PROMISE TO YOU

Kentucky Wesleyan's Legal Studies program is an interdisciplinary course of study specifically designed for students planning to attend law school. Although there are a few skills courses included, most of the offerings are focused on the law. This includes an introductory overview of the law and a capstone course centered around an internship with a judge and the local Commonwealth Attorney's Office.

EXCEPTIONAL PREPARATION

Content courses come from six different subject areas: Business, Criminal Justice, History, Political Science and Psychology. Each department offering these courses will present them from their unique perspectives and will not reproduce the law school experience. These perspectives will give you a head start over your peers in law school by laying the groundwork for these areas of legal expertise. Law schools do not prefer any particular major or minor, so we encourage you to add an additional major or minor(s) to suit your interests. A high GPA and a better-than-average Law School Aptitude Test (LSAT) score are the key determinants for acceptance into law school.

GET INVOLVED

The Student Government Association is the self-governing body on campus that provides students with a voice in college affairs. SGA consists of an elected executive council and senate with two senators representing each class. The Stanley Reed Pre-Law and Politics Society offers all students interested in law and politics opportunities to hear prominent speakers, discuss relevant topics and debate important controversial issues.

INTERSHIPS

Every other year, the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission asks for candidates to spend a semester in the Commonwealth's Capitol. These competitively-sought, paid internships earn 12 hours. Students who maintain at least a 3.0 GPA are eligible for recommendation by legal studies professors for employment with local attorneys, which may result in full-time summer employment. Most of our students are accepted to this very competitive program. Students are placed in an internship in their capstone course (with a judge, commonwealth attorney's office or the county attorney).



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CAREERS

- Attorney
- Chief legal officer
- Court administrator
- Court clerk
- Court reporter
- Intelligence agent
- Judge
- Legal assistant
- Paralegal
- Politician

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Courses Offered

Kentucky Wesleyan education is all about preparing you to pursue a productive career and a full, meaningful life. Each major offers unique courses designed to get you ready for a professional career in that field of study. Below, learn more about some of the courses you can expect to take with this major:

CJC 100 Introduction to Criminal Justice **3 Semester Credit Hours**

A survey course designed to introduce the student to the criminal justice system. This course includes an introduction to law and law enforcement activities, the jurisdiction of local, state, and federal law enforcement personnel and adult correctional facilities.

CJC 340 Courts and Procedure **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Advanced study in the procedural aspects of criminal law; process of enforcement, investigation, pre-trial and trial procedures, sentencing, appeals and post-convictions review. Focuses on civil right and liberties, arrest, search and seizure, right to counsel and sentencing. This is a procedural due process course.

CJC 360 Criminal Law **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Advanced study in the legal principles involved in the preservation and protection of life and property. It includes the elements and proof in crimes and the rules of criminal liability. This is a substantive due process course.

LGST 101: Introduction to Law **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Students in this course will cover the basics of the legal system, both civil and criminal. It will include case studies on law in action. Also students will also situate law in its historical and socio-economic framework. Lastly, the course will touch on the rigors of law school and the careers in law.

LGST 408: Internship in Legal Assistance **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Students will be assigned to a law firm or court agency for a minimum of 120 hours per semester. Assignments and duties may vary. Students will incrementally increase their writing proficiency by completing a 20-25 page paper.

POLS 101: American National Government **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Students will understand the basic legal and political institutions, and mass and political elite behavior of the United States. Students will incrementally improve their writing with a term paper.

POLS 202: State and Local Government **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Students will master the basics of state and local political institutions and attendant political behaviors by masses and political elites. Students will incrementally improve their writing with a term paper.

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HIST 352: Constitutional Law I **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Major constitutional principles and decisions, and the consequences of rulings within the context of American history, colonial period through Reconstruction.

HIST 353: Constitutional Law II **3 Semester Credit Hours**

Major constitutional principles and decisions, and the consequences of rulings within the context of American history, late Reconstruction Period to the present.

BA 325: Business Law **3 Semester Credit Hours**

The principles and rules of law which comprise the legal framework of business: contracts, agency, commercial paper, personal property and sale of goods.

BA 326: Advanced Business Law **3 Semester Credit Hours**

The principles and rules of law which comprise the legal framework of business: partnerships, corporations, insurance, security devices, bankruptcy, trusts and estates and government regulations.

BA 345: Business and Professional Writing **3 Semester Credit Hours**

This course introduces students to the art of writing business documents, from emails to memoranda to reports to letters. In addition, students will learn the best ways to present data to enhance decision making, and have the experience of making meeting agenda and facilitating a meeting.

Bachelor of Arts

SPAN 101: Elementary Spanish I
SPAN 102: Elementary Spanish II
SPAN 201: Intermediate Spanish I
SPAN 202: Intermediate Spanish II

Bachelor of Science

ACCT 211: Principles of Accounting I
ACCT 212: Principles of Accounting II
ECON 231: Principles of Microeconomics
ECON 232: Principles of Macroeconomics