



## Legal Studies Minor Program Description



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### About the program

Law is fundamental to all aspects of contemporary society. The minor in legal studies provides an interdisciplinary framework for undergraduate students of all majors to investigate the cultural influences, ethical foundations, scientific advancements, and the governmental administration of law, along with the interplay between law and business. The courses in the minor enable students to understand the law and its myriad applications in the United States and around the world. It enhances the ability of graduates to think critically, resolve conflicts, understand the regulatory system, and participate in public policy decision-making.

**Legal Studies Minor (LSM) interdisciplinary advisory board:** John Hintz, Environmental, Geographical and Geological Sciences  
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### Requirements

The LSM consists of seven courses (21 credit hours), five (15 credit hours) of which must be taken at Bloomsburg University. The requirements are:

1. LAW 331 Law and the Legal Environment (30 credits required) ONLINE OPTION This course is required, but not a prerequisite for *all* other courses. It is a prerequisite for classes marked with an \*.
2. One course from *each* of the following four Groups (12 credit hours): Law and Society; Law and Government, Law and Business, and Law and Science; and 3. Two courses or electives (6 credit hours) from the following options:
  - Any two additional courses from two of the four Groups.
  - An internship in legal studies, or with the approval of the program coordinator, a law focused course in the honors program, an international exchange course, or other course.
  - Two courses in the first year of law school at Widener School of Law, Harrisburg, if a participant in the "3+3" B.A./J.D. program. See program coordinator for details.
4. Two of the elective courses, in addition to the required LAW 331 Law and the Legal Environment, must be 300 or 400 level (9 credit hours).

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Turn over for Groups and Courses

### The Groups and Courses

Courses for which Law 331 Law and the Legal Environment is a prerequisite marked with an \*.

Course prerequisites are noted in *parenthesis*.

Courses that have an ONLINE OPTION are noted.

Courses that count for General Education Points [GEP] are noted.

#### Law and Society:

**CRIMJUST 101** Introduction to Criminal Justice [GEP 6 -3pts.]

**ENGL 152** Literature and Society - *If focused on legal or justice issues, such as legal history or literature of crime, with approval of the program coordinator in consultation with the course instructor.* [GEP 1 -1pt., GEP 7 -2pts.]

**LAW 120** Personal Legal Decisions ONLINE OPTION [GEP 1 -1pt., GEP 6 -1pt., GEP 10 -1pt.]

**PHIL 110** Critical Thinking [GEP 3 -3pts.]

**PHIL 292** Contemporary Moral Problems [GEP 4 -3pts.]

**PHIL 290** Medical Ethics [GEP 4 -3pts.]

**PHIL 295** Business Ethics [GEP 4 -3pts.]

**PSYC 254** Psychological Aspects of Social Issues (*PSYCH 101*)

**COMMSTUD 321** Argument and Analysis (*COMMSTUD.103 or by permission of instructor*)

**COMMSTUD 313** Conflict Management and Resolution (*COMMSTUD.104 or by permission of instructor*)

**LAW 340** Law and Literature (*30 credit hours*) [GEP 7-1pt., GEP 10 -2pts.]

**CRIMJUST 410** Criminal Law (*18 credits in criminal justice or permission of the instructor*) **PHIL**

**405** Philosophy of Law

**PHIL 407** Contemporary Political Philosophy

#### Law and Government:

**POLISCI 120** U.S. Government [GEP 4-1pt., GEP 10 -2pts.]

**POLISCI 336** Public Adm. Theory

**POLISCI 446** Constitutional Law I (*60 credits*)

**POLISCI 447** Constitutional Law II (*60 credits*)

**POLISCI 448** The Judicial Process

**POLISCI 487** International Law and Organization (*60 credits*)

#### Law and Business

**ECON 315** – Business and Government (*ECON.121 and ECON.122*)

**ECON 329** Environmental Economics (*ECON.121 and ECON.122*)

**LAW 332** Business and Commercial Law\* ONLINE OPTION

**LAW 336** Legal Aspects of Fraud Examination\*

**LAW 350** Environmental Law & Policy \*

**LAW 460** Employment and Discrimination Law\*

**LAW 407** International Legal Environment \*

**LAW 475** Negotiation & ADR\*

**MASSCOMM 310** Media Law and Ethics (*MCOM.230.*)

#### Law and Science:

**CHEM 105** – Introduction to Forensic Science [GEP 5-3pts.]

**EGGS 105** Environmental Issues and Choices [GEP 2-1pt., GEP 5 -2pts.]

**MATH 115** Cryptology (*MATH 111 or MATH 250*)

**EGGS 250** Elements of Planning

**EGGS 301** Water Resources Management

**EGGS 302** Land Resources Management (*EGGS 250 or consent of the instructor*)

**EGGS 386** U.S. Public Lands Management (*EGGS.105 or junior/senior standing and consent of the instructor*)