



Legal Studies Bachelor of Arts Transfer Guide

This articulation guide combines the completion of an associate's degree from an Illinois Community College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Legal Studies at University of Illinois Springfield.

Most Illinois Community Colleges with Legal Studies/Paralegal foundation work offer an associate in applied science degree. An associate in applied science degree fills most, but not all IAI General Education Core Curriculum Requirements for undergraduate degree completion.

Students may utilize electives at the Community College to satisfy the missing General Education requirements not fulfilled with the AAS. Those credits may also be completed at UIS if necessary.

Students who have taken an approved Legal Research and Citation course at an Illinois Community College may have LES 401 (Legal Research and Citation) waived upon entry to UIS.

Other core and elective courses may also be waived. Students may check with the UIS advisor or on Transferology to determine whether the UIS Legal Studies program will accept other direct credit towards major requirements from the Community College they attended.

Students may be considered for admission to UIS as transfer students if they have attempted at least 24 transferable semester hours and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale from a regionally accredited institution. Remedial and developmental courses are not accepted.


UIS is a participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), a statewide agreement designed to allow you to complete the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC), as well as credit earned in select majors, between participating institutions. To determine IAI GECC at your community college, use the course planning worksheet available at iTransfer.org. This information is also available from your community college catalog or by speaking with your community college advisor.

MyCreditsTransfer is a statewide initiative designed to facilitate transfer within Illinois using the nationally available tool, Transferology™ (transferology.com/school/uis). Within Transferology™ you can find the courses that transfer between institutions, degree requirements your courses satisfy and different majors that institutions offer. To set up your free Transferology™ account and see how your courses will transfer, visit <https://www.transferology.com/school/uis>. To receive information about transferring to UIS, please visit <https://www.uis.edu/admission-aid/request-info>.

Please direct any questions about transferring to Allison Kling in the Office of Admissions Processing at admprocessing@uis.edu or 217/206-6156.

Please direct any questions about the Legal Studies Program, double major opportunities, etc. to Jill Briggs the program's academic advisor at jhelm3@uis.edu or les@uis.edu or via phone at 217/206-6561.

Transfer Guide: Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies Spring 2025

South Suburban College			University of Illinois Springfield		
Associate in Applied Science: Law & Paralegal Studies			Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies		
<div><div>SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE</div></div>			<div>UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SPRINGFIELD</div>		
IAI General Education Requirements at SSC			Required Legal Studies Major Coursework		
Course #	Title	HRS	Course #	Title	HRS
OCS 121	Overview for College Success	1	^ Notates if a requirement was fulfilled at SSC		
ENG 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3	LES/PSC 202^	Intro. to American Legal System	0^
SPE 108	Oral Communication	3	LES 307	Law and Society	3
**	IAI Mathematics Course or Physical/Life Science Course	3-4	LES 401^	Legal Research And Citation	0^
PSC 101	American National Government	3	LES 414	Am.Const.: Gov. Powers & Institutions	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3	LES/PSC 416	The American Const. & Civil Liberties	3
PHL 101 or PHL 102	Introduction to Philosophy or Introduction to Ethics	3	LES 489	Closing Sem: Ethics & Current Legal Q's	3
Total Hours in this Section:		19	LES Electives***		12
			Total Hours in this Section:		24
See SSC Advisor or catalog (linked) for fulfillment options.			*Any LES-prefixed course that isn't listed above will count towards the LES elective requirement. 3 hours have been waived with work completed at South Suburban College.		
Required SSC AAS Coursework			Additional University Requirements: Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE)		
LAW 101	Fundamentals of Paralegalism	3	The Legal Studies BA requires ≥3 hours of internship for their ECCE Engagement Experience requirement. Students may take up to 6 internship hours towards the requirement; any hours beyond 6 will be general elective hours. Double majors may have different internship requirements & should consult with their LES/other major advisors.		
LAW 103	Law Office Technology	3			
BLW 201	Introduction to Business Law	3			
LAW 203	Legal Research and Writing I	3			
LAW 201	Evidence and Investigation	3			
BLW 202	Intermediate Business Law	3			
LAW 205	Legal Research and Writing II	3	U.S. Communities OR Global Awareness ECCE course		
LAW 202	Litigation	3			
LAW 204	Internship I	3	ECCE Speaker Series Course		
	LAW Elective	12	Total Hours in this Section:		
	Human Diversity Required Course	3	10		
Total Hours in this Section:		42	UIS Requires 120 Minimum hours for Undergraduate Completion. These hours can be electives, a minor, interest courses, etc.		
Minimum South Suburban College Hours: 61			~25		
IAI General Education Missing Requirements for BA Completion. Can be taken at South Suburban College or UIS (or via CLEP exams).			Total University of Illinois Springfield Hours: 60		
	English Composition II	3	Total Minimum Combined South Suburban College & UIS Hours for AAS & BA Completion: 120		
Remaining 2 of 3 Courses in this section (Ex: Math taken above, take both sciences)					
* / **	IAI Physical Science Course	3-4	SSC Law and Paralegal Studies Website SSC Law & Paralegal Studies AAS Website SSC General Education AAS Website UIS Legal Studies Details Website UIS Legal Studies Catalog Website UIS General Education Courses		
* / **	IAI Life Science Course	3-4			
**	IAI Mathematics Course	3			
**	IAI Social & Behavioral Sci. Course	3			
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**	IAI Humanities/Fine Arts	3			
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* One lab science required for either Physical or Life Science.					
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