

Pre-Law Curriculum

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Program: Pre-Law

Students who plan to enter a law school upon graduation from Franklin College may complete any major. Those most prepared for the challenge of law school practice will develop an understanding of the U.S. legal system, its historical and philosophical bases, and issues central to ethical, contemporary practice. To earn a pre-law designation upon graduation from Franklin College, students must complete the following program with the guidance of the pre-law advisors.

Required courses

POL 110 American National Government

POL 275 Law and Politics in American Society

Category A: One of the following courses

MAT 181 Discrete Mathematics I

PHL 210 Logic

Category B: One of the following courses

ENG 227 Advanced Grammar

ENG 228 Advanced Composition

Category C: One of the following courses

BUS 331 Business Law I

MMJ/PRL/SPR 445 Communication Law in a Digital World

POL 341 International Law and Organizations

POL 410 American Constitutional Law I: Powers and Duties

POL 420 American Constitutional Law II: Civil Rights and Liberties

Category D: 10 or 11 semester hours* from the following courses

Any course listed in Category C above

ACC 221 Principles of Accounting I

ACC 222 Principles of Accounting II

BIO 225 Bioethics

BIO/CHE 334 Biochemistry

BIO/CHE 392 Techniques in Biotechnology and Biochemistry

BUS/ECO 340 Business Organization and Public Policy

BUS/ECO 360 Labor Economics and Management

ECO 121 Principles of Microeconomics

ECO 123 Principles of Macroeconomics

ENG 333 Shakespeare

HIS 231 African American History

HIS 332 History of Women in the United States

LEA 220 Leadership: Foundations, Theory, and Practice

MAT/SOC 224 Basic Applied Statistics

PHL 220 Principles of Ethics

POL 225 State and Local Government

POL 336 Introduction to Public Policy
POL 360 Social and Political Thought
SOC 118 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 210 Criminal Justice
SOC 321 Criminology

*Students who take either BUS 331 Business Law I or MMJ/PRL 445 Communication Law in a Digital World to fulfill their Category C requirement must take 11 hours from Category D. All others must take only 10 hours from Category D.

Additionally, students may petition the Pre-Law Program Advisors to substitute another course not listed in the catalogue (such as a Topics, Immersive Term, or Independent Study course) to meet the 10 or 11 hour requirement.

Internship Requirement

Students must complete at least one high quality law-related internship approved by the pre-law advisors.

Complete course descriptions for each of these offerings may be found elsewhere in this catalog under the appropriate major headings. Note that some course may have prerequisites.