



Pre-Law

Pathway Preparation Sheet 2017-2018

Where does my path start?

You will complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) at Shoreline.

Use the **AA -DTA Degree Planning Guide**, with this sheet, to understand the requirements for graduation.

Once you complete your Shoreline degree, you can transfer to a four-year school to earn a Bachelor of Arts or Science degree. Provided you meet program prerequisites, you are encouraged to major in any B.A. or B.S. degree of interest.

Once you have completed a Bachelor’s degree you will move on to a graduate program in law to receive a Juris Doctorate.

What is Pre-Law?

Preparation for law school requires development of strong research, communication and analytical skills. Students are encouraged to explore the various specializations in law and choose a bachelor’s degree based on their area of interest. Some of the most popular majors include: Business, Communication Studies, Economics, English, History, International Studies, Law and Justice, Multicultural Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology. Any bachelor’s degree, including degrees in physical sciences, can be good preparation for law school.

Contemporary issues in Law: Business/Corporate Law, Civil Rights Law, Criminal Law, Commercial and Real Estate Law, Environmental Law, Estate Planning, Family and Juvenile Law, International Law, Intellectual Property Law, International Law, Labor and Employment Law.

Where can I go for help?

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Law Information Websites

Law School Admission Council: www.lsac.org

Pre-Law Student Services www.ilrg.com/pre-law.html

American Bar Association www.abanet.org



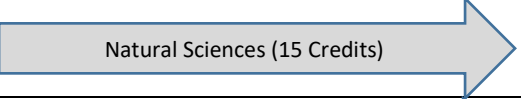
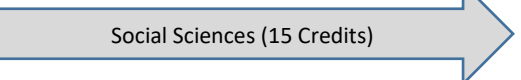
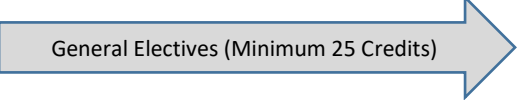
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What can I do with a Juris Doctorate degree in Law?

The practice of law requires strong reading, writing, speaking and negotiation skills. Lawyers must analyze problems, gather evidence, research the law, interpret the law, synthesize information, present arguments, write legal briefs, and give legal counsel. These skills can transfer to multiple career opportunities.

Potential employers include: Law firms, private practice, federal, state and local governments, court systems, colleges and universities, public advocacy groups, non-profit organizations, foreign service, businesses and corporations. For more, please visit <http://www.shoreline.edu/counseling-center/career-counseling.aspx>.

What courses should I take?*

 <p>General Education Requirements (20 Credits)</p>	<p>Required: ENGL& 101; ENGL& 102; One course in Multicultural Understanding; One course in Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning</p> <p>Recommended: MATH& 146</p>
 <p>Humanities (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended: CMST& 101, 210, 220, ENGL& 230, ENGL 276, PHIL 102, 115, 240, 248; World Language if required for university admission or graduation.</p>
 <p>Natural Sciences (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended: MATH& 146 or PHIL& 120 if not used on Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning</p>
 <p>Social Sciences (15 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended: POLS& 101, 202, PSYC& 100, SOC& 101</p>
 <p>General Electives (Minimum 25 Credits)</p>	<p>Recommended Courses for Law Specializations:</p> <p>Business, Corporate or Tax Law: ACCT& 201-203, ECON& 201, 202, BUS& 201, MATH& 148, MATH 111, 211</p> <p>Civil Rights Law: AES 119, GWS, 284-286, 288, HIST& 136, 137, 215, 246, 247, 256, MCS 105, SOC 288</p> <p>Criminal Law: CJ& 101, 106, 110, CJ 120, 238, 241, SOC& 201, SOC 112</p> <p>Family and Juvenile Law: CJ& 106, GWS 285, PSYC& 100, 200, 220, PSYC 208, 210, 245, SOC& 101, 201, SOC 112, 250</p> <p>Environmental Law: ENV& 101, GEOG 203, 204, GEOL& 101, HIST 218, OCEA& 101</p> <p>International Law: CMST 285, ECON& 201, 202, HIST 215, 218, 245, INTST 101, 200, 201, 205, MCS 210, POLS& 203, POLS 221</p>

Where can I transfer and what does my chosen four-year school require?

Before choosing classes, become familiar with the four-year program where you want to apply: visit the website, email the department, and/or speak with a Shoreline advisor. Below are examples from Washington schools with different admissions and graduation requirements. Check with the school for world language requirements. (Non-native speakers of English are often exempt from this requirement.)

School	Transfer Information	School	Transfer Information
Gonzaga University	http://tinyurl.com/7c9d6xh	University of Washington – Seattle	http://tinyurl.com/hm3uecl
Seattle University	http://tinyurl.com/z3kjpqm	University of Washington – Tacoma	http://tinyurl.com/j778h7e
University of Washington - Bothell	http://tinyurl.com/j9r7so5		

**** This unofficial guide is intended to support you as you prepare for your major. Please consult with an advisor and your chosen four-year school(s), as program and admissions requirements vary and may change without notice.**