



Undergraduate Concentration
Legal Studies

24 degree credits • accepted in bachelor's degrees • **Multidisciplinary Studies • Human Services**

The Legal Studies concentration introduces students to the history and function of the American legal system and provides students interested in pursuing a law career with a basic understanding and knowledge of various aspects of law school and the legal profession.

Cambridge College students are introduced to diverse topics and learning that incorporate principles of social justice, civil liberties and service to the community. It is in this context that students learn about and discuss executive, legislative and judicial law and their power to both shape and reflect our understanding of our changing society, world and communities.

While the American Bar Association does not identify any specific majors or concentrations for undergraduate study, the ABA does identify certain skills and values that are essential to success in law school and to competent practice: analytical and critical thinking skills; critical reading abilities, writing skills, oral communication and listening abilities; research and time management skills; a commitment to serving others and promoting justice, based on significant experience in service projects and internship while an undergraduate.

Legal studies students at Cambridge College are supported in gaining these skills through general education courses in writing, critical thinking, arts and humanities, history and social science courses. Additionally, students are assisted in their career preparation through the Legal Studies coursework and the completion of a law related internship.

Careers and Further Study — Students may continue to law school, graduate study in forensics, criminal justice, business or political science. The program can lead to careers in the legal profession, law enforcement, government or politics.

Required Courses 18 credits

JUS205	Introduction to Legal Studies	3
JUS200	Crime and Criminal Justice	3
JUS225	Introduction to Social Justice	3
PSY328	Forensic Psychology	3
JUS435	Restorative Justice and Victim-Offender Reconciliation	3
BHS470	Internship (law-related)	3

Electives choose 6 credits

JUS368	American Immigration Law and Policy	3
JUS350	Introduction to Juvenile Justice	3
JUS356	Youth and the Law	3
SOC212	Introduction to the American Legal System	3

Other electives may be substituted with approval of program coordinator.

