



Paralegal Studies

Whether you currently work in the legal profession, or are seeking to enter this dynamic field, our Paralegal Studies Certificate Program provides the training you need to become a more effective and marketable paralegal.

- **Veteran Instructors**—Learn from practicing attorneys who understand the realities of today’s legal environment
- **Convenience**—The program is online and only takes six months to complete
- **Designed for Success**—Our curriculum, which aligns with the California Business & Professions Code for paralegal education, provides you with a set of core, transferrable skills that law firms are looking for
- **Immediate Return on Investment**—Learn practical, paralegal-specific skills that you can apply immediately to your job or feature on a résumé

For more information or to enroll, visit cpe.ucdavis.edu/paralegal

Paralegal Studies Program at-a-Glance

- 4 courses delivered in one streamlined program
- Online
- \$6,995

“The overall program was far better than I expected going in, and I would recommend it to anyone wanting to advance their legal careers.”

—Ksenia Ofeynik, program graduate

Industry Facts

The annual mean wage for paralegals in California is **\$66,250**

—Bureau of Labor Statistics

Program Outline

21 quarter units academic credit, X425.1

Introduction: Program Essentials

Explore legal ethics, terminology, research and writing, pleading preparation, trial preparation, client management and other essential paralegal skills.

California Procedures for Paralegals

Explore litigation procedures in the state courts of California, from both an academic, as well as a law practitioner's point of view.

Tort Law for Paralegals

Gain an understanding of laws pertaining to personal injury, product liability and malpractice. Analyze negligence, breach of duty, causation and damages, liability issues and defenses, and malpractice.

Contract Law for Paralegals

Focus on the specialized skills of contract drafting, analysis and litigation. Learn about remedies for non-performance (i.e., breach of contract) and third party contracts.

Paralegal Specialist Programs

Refine your expertise as a paralegal professional with our topic-specific programs. These programs expand career opportunities and empower you as a paralegal.

Choose from 22 different programs and build your knowledge in such areas as business, family, employment or immigration law. To enroll, applicants must have a certificate or degree in paralegal studies, or a combination of a college degree in any area of study and work experience as a paralegal. For additional information about these programs, please visit:

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Continuous Enrollment

As an online program, enrollment into the Paralegal Studies Certificate Program is continuous and offered year-round. Enroll at any time and complete the program in six months or less.

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“I would recommend this program for someone trying to excel in their career or just trying to understand if this is a field they want to get into.”

—Batool Fatima, program graduate