

LAW (PRE)

Scottsbluff/Sidney/Alliance

AA.2201 (62 Credits)

Pre-law students at Western Nebraska Community College have available the first two years of what is typically a seven-year course of study to practice law (four years to complete an undergraduate degree and an additional three years of law school). NOTE: Some institutions offer a course of study where only three years is necessary to complete the pre-law undergraduate degree.

Completion of two years of course work that emphasizes the traditional liberal arts curriculum is the conventional preparation for law school and culminates in an Associate of Arts degree from Western Nebraska Community College.

Objectives

- Any major field of study offered at Western Nebraska Community College provides sound preparation for the study of law. In accordance with the statement of policy adopted by the Association of American Law Schools, prelegal education at Western Nebraska Community College is “education for comprehension and expression in words, for critical understanding of human institutions and values, and for creative power in thinking. The development of these fundamental capacities is not the monopoly of any one subject matter area, department or division.”

Notes

- Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college/university should consult their faculty advisor and the Transfer Advisor early in their WNCC enrollment to determine their curriculum.
- If the transferring institution does not require foreign language, the student may take other social science or elective courses.
- Humanities electives can be taken from art, literature, music, philosophy, theater and humanities.
- Social Science electives can be taken from anthropology, economics, geography, history, philosophy, political science, or psychology.
- Students who may ultimately major or minor in a Business program at a four-year college/university should strongly consider substituting Principles of Accounting I and II (ACCT-1200 and ACCT-1210) for Business Law 1 and 2 in this suggested curriculum, as these accounting courses are typically required to enter and/or complete these Business programs.
- Students should also bear in mind that Business Law 2 is generally only offered in the spring semester.

Suggested Curriculum

1st Sem, Course	Credit
ENGL-1500 English Composition 1.....	3
SPCH-1200 Speech Communication	
or	
SPCH-1390 Public Speaking	3
POLS-2350 American Government and Politics	3
INFO-1100 Microcomputer Apps (or higher)	3
MATH-1150 College Algebra	4
	16 Credits

2nd Sem, Course	Credit
ENGL-1550 English Composition 2.....	3
HIST-XXXX (World Civ., Early or Late US History strongly recommended)	3
ECON-2230 Principles of Economics (MACRO)	3
Any Humanities (elective-your choice)	3
CRIM-XXXX Criminal Law or Rules of Evidence	
or	
Courts & the Judicial Process ..	3
PHED-XXXX Physical Education	1
	16 Credits

3rd Sem, Course	Credit
BSAD-2500/2550 Business Law 1 or 2.....	3
BIOS, CHEM, or PHYS-Lab Science	4
PHIL-1010 Introduction to Philosophy.....	3
HIST-XXXX (World Civ., Early or Late US History strongly recommended)	3
Social Science (Introduction to Psychology strongly recommended)	3
16 Credits	

4th Sem, Course	Credit
BSAD-2500/2550 Business Law 1 or 2.....	3
HIST-XXXX (World Civ., Early or Late US History strongly recommended)	3
SOCI-XXXX (Principles of Sociology or Living in a Diverse Society strongly recommended)	3
Social Science (Social Psychology or Abnormal Psychology strongly recommended)	3
CRIM-XXXX Criminal Law or Rules of Evidence or Courts & the Judicial Process ..	3
PHED-XXXX Physical Education	1
16 Credits	