

**PRACTICUM IN LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS, AND SECURITY**

**Prerequisite: At least two credits in Law Enforcement Pathway**

**Recommended Grade Placement 12**

**2 CREDITS**

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**Recommended Sequence of Courses (Prerequisites noted in course descriptions)**

**To complete the Program of Study, students must earn four credits in the Program of Study and one of the credits must be an Advanced Level course.**

<b>Entry Level Courses</b>	<b>Advanced Courses</b>
<b>Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security</b>	<b>Correctional Services</b>
<b>Law Enforcement I</b>	<b>Forensic Psychology</b>
<b>Criminal Investigations</b>	<b>Forensic Science</b>
	<b>Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security</b>



**LEGAL STUDIES**

*Law and Public Service Endorsement*

The Legal Studies program of study introduces students to the occupations and educational opportunities related to representing clients in criminal and civil litigation and other legal proceedings, as well as assisting lawyers and preparing legal documents. This program of study explores possible specializations in a single area of law.

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HIGH SCHOOL/ INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION	CERTIFICATE/ LICENSE*	ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE	BACHELOR'S DEGREE	MASTER'S/ DOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL DEGREE	OCCUPATIONS	MEDIAN WAGE	ANNUAL OPENINGS	% GROWTH
	Attorney	Legal Assistant/Paralegal	Legal Assistant/Paralegal	Law	Lawyers	\$126,131	2,801	19%
	Certified Paralegal			Intellectual Property Law	Paralegal and Legal Assistants	\$50,544	2,837	19%
	Board Certification in Types of Law			Advanced Legal Research/ Studies, General				
	Certified Legal Video Specialist			International Law and Legal Studies				
Additional industry based certification information is available from the TEA CTE website.					<b>WORK BASED LEARNING AND EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES</b>			
For more information on postsecondary options for this program of study visit TXCTE.org.					<b>Exploration Activities:</b> Attend court hearings and other legal procedures; Texas Public Service Association	<b>Work Based Learning Activities:</b> Intern with a local attorney; script and conduct a mock trial		

## Courses in this Program of Study

### PRINCIPLES OF LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS, AND SECURITY

Course # 07099000

**Prerequisite:** None

**Recommended Grade Placement 9**

**1 CREDIT**

This course is designed to give students hands-on application in the Programs of Study of Law and Public Services. Topics include: Law Enforcement, Criminal Investigation, Court Systems, and Emergency Response.

### COURT SYSTEMS & PRACTICES

Course # 07229210

**Recommended Grade Placement 10-11**

**1 CREDIT**

Court Services is an overview of the federal and state court systems. The course identifies the roles of judicial officers and the trial processes from pretrial to sentencing and examines the types and rules of evidence. Emphasis is placed on constitutional laws for criminal procedures such as search and seizure, stop and frisk, and interrogation. Students can pursue national certifications in CPR (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation) and CERT (The Community Emergency Response Team) Program.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE I

Course # 07229700

**Recommended Grade Placement 10-11**

**1 CREDIT**

This course will familiarize the student with political theory through the study of governments; public policies; and political processes, systems, and behavior.

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**CAREER PREPARATION I**

Course # 07228902

**Recommended Grade Placement 11-12**

**2 CREDITS**

Career Preparation I provides opportunities for students to participate in a work-based learning experience that combines classroom instruction with business and industry employment experiences. The goal is to prepare students with a variety of skills for a changing workplace. Career preparation is relevant and rigorous, supports student attainment of academic standards, and effectively prepares students for college and career success.

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<b>Court Systems and Practices</b>	<b>Career Preparation I</b>
<b>Political Science I</b>	