

Northwest Arkansas Community College
(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

Discipline Code

LEGL

Course Number

1043

Course Title

Introduction to Law & Legal Assistance

Catalog Description

Provides an overview of the major principles and functions of the state and federal legal systems, presents legal vocabulary, surveys substantive areas of law, discusses legal and paralegal ethics, and provides educational training for persons seeking employment as paralegals. This course is cross listed as CMJS 1043. Students will receive credit for either LEGL 1043 or CMJS 1043, but not both.

Prerequisites/Co-requisites

N/A

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

Fall & Spring

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Describe the duties and responsibilities, including ethical responsibilities, of legal professionals (including paralegals) within different fields of law.
- Exhibit a basic understanding of the legal system.

- Discuss the necessary steps in a lawsuit.
- Recognize the differences in types of law.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the sources of law.
- Recognize and correctly use appropriate terminology.
- Adhere to deadlines and understand their critical importance.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- N/A

Standard Practices

Topics list

- N/A

Learning activities

- N/A

Assessments

- N/A

Grading guidelines

- N/A

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