



Operational Excellence and Assessment Support

Academic Learning Compacts

**College of Health and Public Affairs  
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**Legal Studies, B.A./B.S.**

**Discipline Specific Knowledge, Skills, Behavior and Values Outcomes**

UCF Legal Studies graduates will demonstrate the ability to:

1. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program be able to adequately conduct legal research and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program be able to conduct legal research at a very good and/or excellent level.
2. To have all of the graduates of the Legal Studies program acquire the knowledge necessary to make them successful as employees in the workplace and/or as graduate students or law students and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program acquire the knowledge necessary to make them very well prepared to be successful as employees in the workplace and/or as graduate students or law students.
3. To have all of the graduates of the Legal Studies program will be educationally prepared for the first entry level position as a legal assistant or for admission to graduate or law school.
4. To have graduates of the Legal Studies program obtain either employment in an entry level position (or higher) or admission to graduate school or law school within one year from graduation.
5. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program acquire knowledge of applicable national and state standards of professional conduct for attorneys and paralegals. Ethical conduct is a cornerstone of the legal profession. All students who graduate will perform at the 70% level or higher; 75% of the students who graduate will perform at the 80% level or higher.

6. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program be able to demonstrate an adequate understanding of the federal and state court system and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal studies program demonstrate a very good and/or excellent understanding of the federal and state court system.
7. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program acquire knowledge of the fundamental principles of law in the following subject areas: property, contracts, criminal law, criminal procedure, civil procedure, torts, and ethics. All of the students who graduate will perform at the 70% level or higher; 75% of the students who graduate will perform at the 80% level or higher.

### **Critical Thinking Outcomes**

8. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate the ability to engage in critical thinking and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate critical thinking at a very good and/or excellent level.
9. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate an adequate understanding of how to prepare a civil case for trial in Florida and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate a very good/excellent understanding of how to prepare a civil case for trial in Florida.
10. To have all of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate an adequate understanding of the role that law plays in society and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate a very good and/or excellent understanding of the role that law plays in society.

### **Communication Outcomes**

11. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate adequate communication skills and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate communication skills at a very good and/or excellent level.
12. To have all graduates of the Legal Studies program be able to demonstrate adequate writing skills and to have 75% of the graduates of the Legal Studies program demonstrate writing skills at a very good and/or excellent level.

## Assessment of Legal Studies Outcomes

These outcomes will be assessed by using a variety of assessment methods, including:

- a. exams
- b. papers
- c. pleadings
- d. briefs
- e. projects
- f. oral presentations
- g. scoring rubrics