

**Joint Educational Agreement: Planning Guide for Paralegal Majors
MCC / Elgin Community College
(2009/2010 Catalog)**

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Although McHenry County College does not offer a paralegal major, it has entered into a Joint Educational Agreement with Elgin Community College which enables MCC students to take courses at both schools to obtain ECC's Associate of Applied Science in Paralegal degree.

Joint Agreement Notes

- ECC information about the Paralegal program: Laurel Vietzen (847) 214-7466
- ECC information about Joint Agreements: Minerva Negron (847) 214-7226
- MCC information about Joint Agreements: Vicki Brennan (815) 479-7632

Special Admission Requirement

Students seeking the AAS degree must complete prerequisites for PAR101 prior to taking the class.

- Compass reading assessment score of 80 or higher; or
- English ACT score of 20 or higher; or
- Successful completion of ENG101 (MCC's ENG151) or BUS101 (MCC's BUS155) with grade of C or better.

College Requirements for Associate of Applied Science Degree

- Total of 60 hrs. or more must be completed in courses numbered 100 and above as specified in curriculum.
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all courses that are applied to the degree
- A minimum of 15 semester hours must have been achieved at ECC, excluding CLEP and proficiency credits

Associate of Applied Science in Paralegal

First Semester

ECC Course		Sem.Hrs.
ENG101*	English Composition I* (MCC equivalent: ENG151)	3
PAR101	Introduction to Legal Technology	3
BUS112* or BUS113*	Legal Environment of Business* (MCC equivalent: BUS241) or Business Law (MCC equivalent: BUS240)	3
	Required Math or Science* (select from options below)	3
CIS110*	Introduction to Computers* (MCC equivalent: CIS110&131)	3
Total		15

Second Semester

ECC Course		Sem.Hrs.
	Liberal Education* (select from options below)	3
	PAR electives**	6
ENG102*	English Composition II* (MCC equivalent: ENG152)	3
PAR103	Legal Writing	3
POS150* or POS151*	American Government, National* (MCC equivalent: PLT151) or Am. Government, State & Local* (MCC equivalent: PLT155)	3
Total		18

Third Semester

ECC Course		Sem.Hrs.
PAR201	Litigation	3
SPH101	Fundamentals of Speech* (MCC equivalent: SPE151)	3
	PAR electives**	5
	Social/Behavioral Science* (Select from options below)	6
Total		17

Fourth Semester

ECC Course		Sem.Hrs.
PAR204	Legal Research	3
	Liberal Education* (select from options below)	6
	PAR electives (see ECC catalog)	6
Total		15

***Requirement can be fulfilled at MCC. Select from courses listed below:**

ECC Course	Sem. Hr.	MCC Equivalent	Sem. Hr.
ENG101 English Composition I	3	ENG151 Composition I	3
ENG102 English Composition II	3	ENG152 Composition II	3
SPH101 Fundamentals of Speech	3	SPE151 Intro. to Speech	3
CIS110 Intro. to Computers	3	CIS110 Comp. Lit. & CIS131 Intro. to Windows Spreadsheet Appl	4
BUS112 Legal Env. of Business or BUS113 Business Law	3	BUS241 Legal Environment of Business or BUS240 Commercial Law	3
POS150 Am. Government, National or POS151 American Government	3	PLT151 U.S. Government or PLT155 State & Local Government	3
Math or Science	3	MAT 120, 150, 170, 171, 175, 202, 220, 245, 255; BIO 105, 110, 130, 137, 157, 158; CHM 115, 164, 165, EAS 120, 170, 171, 180, 185; GEG 101, 220; GEL 101; PHY 280, 291; PTS 103	
Liberal Education	9	ART 151, 155, 165, 171, 172, 173; ENG 240, 251, 253, 254, 255, 256, 260, 261, 270, 271, 272, 275, 276; HUM 150; JRN 180; MUS 151, 153, 154, 171, 172; PHI 151, 155, 160, 251, 261, 262; SPE 265; THE 151; French, German, Spanish	
Behavioral/Social Sciences	6	ANT 151, 155, 160, 170; ECO 150, 251, 252; GEG 202, 203, 204; HIS 131, 132, 165, 170, 171, 172; PLT 150, 151, 155, 251, 255; PSY 151, 250, 251, 255, 260, 265; SOC 101, 151, 251, 260	