

Centenary College 2025-2026 Catalogue Addendum



Changes to the Legal Studies Minor were approved at the April 2025 Faculty meeting. They are noted in red.

Legal Studies Minor (LST)

Associate Professor: Donahoe, Advisor

Centenary College offers a minor in Legal Studies.

The legal studies minor is an inter-disciplinary course of study that allows students to examine the role and development of law from different perspectives within a liberal arts curriculum. Students will be exposed to a range of courses that will strengthen their critical thinking and communication skills, hone their ability to interpret and apply case law, and understand the role and effect of law within various societal contexts. The curriculum is designed to put the student in an optimal position to prepare for the LSAT and ease the transition into law school.

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

24 hours of coursework as follows:

1. Required Courses (8 hours).

- PSC 208 Introduction to Law
- PSC 355 Constitutional Law and American Politics

2. Rhetoric and Logic (4-8 hours).

- ENGL/COMM 313 Advanced Rhetoric (Prereq: TREK 115)
- PHIL 210 Symbolic Logic

3. Legal Reasoning and Case Law (4-8 hours)

- BUSN 223 Commercial Law
- PSC 324 International Law and Human Rights (Prereq: PSC 111 or instructor's permission)
- PSC 356 The Politics of Constitutional Rights and Liberties

4. Law and Social Sciences (4-8 hours) (may not take more than 2 courses with the same prefix)

- BUSN 270 Introduction to Data Analytics
- BUSN 380 Social Responsibility of Business
- BUSN 335 Human Resource Management
- ECON 211 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECON 311 Intermediate Microeconomics
- ECON 212 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECON 312 Intermediate Macroeconomics
- ECON 335 Sports Economics
- HIST 312 Twentieth Century United States
- HIST 321 American Social and Intellectual History
- PHIL 202 Ethics
- PHIL/PSC 309 Political Philosophy
- PSC 335 Presidency, Congress, and Public Policy
- PSC 395 The Politics of the U.S. Supreme Court
- SOC 202 Sociology of the Family
- SOC 307 The Sociological Power Dynamics of the Political Divide
- SOC 317 Race and Ethnicity (Prereq: any introductory level sociology course)

- SOC 354 Sex and Gender in Society (Prereq: SOC 101, 112, or 202)
- SPMT 360 Ethics and Regulation of Sport
- THEA 102 Voice for the Stage (Pt I 2 credits)
- THEA 103 Voice for the Stage (Pt II 2 credits)

*Course substitutions will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis as new and revised courses are introduced.

Students may use up to eight hours credit from their majors toward the Legal Studies minor. Up to eight hours in coursework in any department may be added from outside this elective list, subject to approval by the Legal Studies advisor. Such additions may involve internships, community service, independent studies, or special topics courses with a strong emphasis on the law.

Graduating students from Centenary who complete an undergraduate minor in Legal Studies, have an interest in public interest work, submit their application by Dec. 1, and complete the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center admissions requirements will receive priority consideration, automatic financial aid consideration, an early admissions decision for the following year's matriculating class, and will be presumptively admitted assuming they meet LSU Law's other admissions requirements. This arrangement offers a pathway to admission with expedited consideration and early decision, but it does not guarantee admission to all candidates who meet the basic requirements. The LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center Committee still reviews each candidate and reserves the right to approve or deny admission.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS (LST)

395. SPECIAL TOPICS IN LEGAL STUDIES 1-4

Prerequisite: permission of program advisor. This may include a course not on the elective list within a discipline that has a strong legal component, or, an inter-disciplinary course developed by faculty especially for legal studies. On demand.

400. INTERNSHIP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE 1-4

Corequisite: TREK 250. Designed to provide an opportunity for the student to expand his theoretical knowledge and practical application of administrative principles by first-hand experience in various public agencies. This course satisfies the Career component of Trek. May be repeated once for credit. The legal studies advisor or another member of the department will confirm the internship's relevance to the minor. This course satisfies the Career component of Trek.

491-494. INDEPENDENT STUDY IN LEGAL STUDIES 1-4

Prerequisite: permission of program advisor and submission of acceptable proposal. Guided independent research of an issue in legal studies. Written report or oral presentation will be required when appropriate. On demand.