

# **About the Program**

The Advanced Technical Certificate (A.T.C.) in Paralegal Studies educates, trains, and develops students for careers as paralegals and legal assistants.

This program requires a **minimum of 22 credit hours**. Total program hours may vary based on the student's individual academic degree plan. This program **is not eligible** for financial aid.

## **Program Requirements**

### This is a Limited Access Program.

Students must follow the program application procedure and fulfill all requirements outlined in the college catalog.

## Important for You to Know

**This academic roadmap does not include** advanced technical certificate graduation requirements.

Students in this certificate program **are not required** to complete math courses unless they are listed as part of the certificate program. Related programs suggest a **Mathematical Thinking in Context math pathway**. This pathway is intended for students whose academic program requires a foundation in descriptive statistics, probability, and inferential statistics to facilitate the use and interpretation of data.

### **Additional Information**

- ⇒ Program information, including advisor contact details: https://www.fscj.edu/academics/programs/certs/4104.
- ⇒ Advanced Technical Certificate Information, including graduation requirements: <a href="https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/degree-certificate-programs/advanced-technical-certificates">https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/degree-certificate-programs/advanced-technical-certificates</a>.
- ⇒ **Program Requirements:** <a href="https://catalog.fscj.edu/programs/4104">https://catalog.fscj.edu/programs/4104</a>.
- ⇒ Math Pathways Information: https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/math-pathways.

## Sample Roadmap

This sample roadmap shows one possible pathway to program completion and may not be appropriate for all students.

Prior to enrolling in classes, please **meet with an advisor** for specific guidance about your individual academic plan. Some courses are offered only once per year; advising is critical for course progression.

### Term 1

Course	Credits
PLA 1003 - Introduction to Legal Studies	3
PLA 1104 - Legal Research and Writing I	3

#### Term 2

Course	Credits
PLA 2732 - Technology in the Law Office	3
PLA 2114 - Legal Research and Writing II	4
Professional Law-Related Elective	3

#### Term 3

Course	Credits
PLA 2200 - Litigation	3
PLA 2949 - Internship  or PLA 2944 - Simulated Law Office Experience: The  Paralegal Studies Capstone	3
or PLA 2950 - Certified Paralegal Exam Review	