



Johnson County Community College
Transfer Program to Washburn University
Bachelor of Legal Studies
(combination of campus and online courses)
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The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students pursuing the A.A. may select courses that satisfy both the A.A. degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The elective hours within the A.A. allows students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The A.A. degree requires completion of 60 credit hours, the maximum number of hours from a community college that will be applied toward a bachelor's degree at most four-year schools; please see [JCCC A.A. degree requirements](#). **Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.**

The Bachelor of Legal Studies at Washburn University prepares students for successfully gaining employment in the legal profession as paralegals, legal assistants, or related positions. The program also serves to prepare students for continuing to law school or seeking other advanced degrees.

Faculty bring practical and academic experience to the classroom and are committed to excellence in teaching. Diversity is valued in the Legal Studies degree program, and faculty are dedicated to producing ethical graduates who are prepared to succeed in their chosen profession.

For more information, please visit www.washburn.edu/cj.

Admission Requirements

- Apply for admission, including \$20 application fee (non-refundable). Complete the application on-line at www.washburn.edu/admissions.
- Send official transcripts of all previous college work to: Washburn University, Office of Admissions, 1700 SW College, Topeka, KS 66621 or submit them electronically at etranscripts@washburn.edu
- Academic good standing; minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0

Requirements for a Bachelor's Degree

- Minimum of 120 semester hours of credit
- Minimum of 60 semester hours from Washburn or a four-year college or university; at least 30 hours must be completed through Washburn
- Minimum of 45 semester hours of credit from courses at the upper division level
- Must complete 34-35 hours of General Education, see info page 2
- Minimum of 84 graded hours
- Grade of "C" or better in courses counting towards the university requirements, major, and minor
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0

Law Early Admission Program - Washburn has an early entry program for our students who desire to attend the Washburn School of Law. The Law Early Admission Program (LEAP) allows Washburn undergraduates to apply, and if accepted, apply courses toward the law degree to the completion of the undergraduate degree.

If accepted to LEAP, students may enter Washburn's School of Law during what would have been their last year of undergraduate work. The program allows for the last 29 credits of undergraduate work (elective credits, or those designated by their program) to be satisfied by the successful completion of the first year of law school (or 29 credits). LEAP was primarily designed for incoming freshmen as it requires careful consultation with an advisor to make the credits work out right. However, theoretically, any enrolled Washburn student may apply for entry into LEAP if they can make the credit requirements. For more information, please contact Dr. Amy Memmer at amy.memmer@washburn.edu or 785-670-1478.

LEAP Admission Requirements

- a high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4-point scale; or
- an ACT score in the top quartile (28 or higher); or
- a GPA of 3.0 for current Washburn or transfer students with at least 15 or more undergraduate credit hours; and
- an application and an acceptance decision by the pre-law advisor

LEAP Completion Requirements

- Maintain a 3.0 undergraduate GPA
- Take the LSAT as administered by the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC)
- Apply to Washburn Law by the deadline for the semester that the student plans to attend
- Earn admission to Washburn Law, including mandated character and fitness review that is necessary for admission to both law school and the bar
- Complete all requirements for undergraduate graduation (see more information below, excluding the remaining 29 credit hours to be completed with law school credits)

The School of Applied Studies also offers a scholarship to students. The deadline for the scholarship is February 15th. You may find more information at the following link:

<https://www.washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/applied-studies/index.html>

General Education

Students must complete the [Washburn General Education Core Requirements](#). Effective Fall 2024: Students transferring to Washburn, with an AA, AFA or AS degree from JCCC will be considered to have satisfied Washburn's general education curriculum.

Effective Fall 2024: Students who transfer to Washburn, without completing AA, AFA or AS degree will have courses evaluated on a course-by-course basis toward meeting Washburn requirements. To learn more about courses that satisfy Washburn general education requirements should refer to the tables in the [Washburn General Education Core Requirements](#) guide for course equivalents.

Note: The Washburn General Education Core Requirements can be found at:

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/transfer/files/transfer-guides/washburn-gen-ed-program.pdf>

LAW Course Equivalencies

Washburn	Hrs	JCCC	Hrs
LG 101 Introduction to Legal Practice	3	LAW 120 Introduction to Paralegal Studies	3
LG 200 Introduction to Law	3	LAW 121 Introduction to Law	3
LG 205 Corporate Law	3	LAW 132 Civil Litigation*	3
LG 1XX Legal Studies Elective	3	LAW 134 Introduction to Legal Technology*	3
LG 210 Family Law	3	LAW 162 Family Law*	3
LG 215 Property Law	3	LAW 247 Intellectual Property Law*	3
LG 410 Bankruptcy & Collections	3	LAW 269 Bankruptcy Law*^	3
LG 350 Professional Ethics	3	LAW 271 Legal Ethics, Interviewing & Investigation*^	3
Select <u>one</u> course from the following: PH 104 Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking OR PH 102 Ethics: Introduction to Moral Problems OR SO 101 Social Problems	3	PHIL 124 Logic and Critical Thinking OR PHIL 143 Ethics OR SOC 125 Social Problems	3

* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

^Courses will not count toward upper division requirement at Washburn University.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate up to date information about the program, it is imperative you meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.