

PLS 99I Course Outline as of Fall 2021**CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: PLS 99I Title: PARALEGAL INTERNSHIP

Full Title: Paralegal Occupational Work Experience Internship

Last Reviewed: 2/4/2014

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	8.00	Lecture Scheduled	0	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	0
Minimum	2.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	34.50		Contact DHR	603.75
		Contact Total	34.50		Contact Total	603.75
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 0.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 603.75

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 25 - 16 Units Total (WrxE only)

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

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Recommended Preparation:

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Transfer Credit:

Repeatability: 16 Units Total (WrxE only)

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU GE:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
IGETC:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU Transfer:		Effective:	Inactive:
UC Transfer:		Effective:	Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Major Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate application of discipline-specific skills and knowledge at the job site.
2. Write a resume targeted to a discipline-specific career that includes the new skills acquired in the internship.
3. Demonstrate improvement of discipline-specific job skills at the job site.

Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Develop, achieve, and assess discipline-specific work-based learning objectives.
2. Use self-reflective and critical analysis to evaluate a job site experience.
3. Research and analyze resume writing formats; assess discipline specific skills of a targeted career; write a discipline-specific resume.
4. Assess discipline-specific classroom learning and apply applicable skills to meet requirements at job site.
5. Create a portfolio and classroom presentation.

6. Keep accurate records of employment and attendance at group meetings.
7. Repeating students must demonstrate increased depth and breadth of work skills proficiency at their worksite with new learning objectives.

Topics and Scope:

1. Work-based learning objectives
 - a. Self-assessment
 - b. Format
 - c. Measurement
 - d. Evaluation
2. Professional meeting for paralegals and/or attorneys
 - a. Attend meeting
 - b. Notes on speaker presentation
 - c. Observation of interaction among professionals
 - d. Networking
3. Job site skills
 - a. Classroom preparation
 - b. Job site requirements
4. Portfolio and group support meetings
 - a. Samples of legal documents
 - b. Timesheets
 - c. Solutions to ethical dilemmas
 - d. Resume
 - e. Employer evaluation
 - f. Group support attendance
5. Accurate record keeping, timely reporting of hours worked, and attendance at group meetings
6. Repeating students
 - a. Develop new more complex discipline specific learning objectives
 - b. Measure/evaluate work site performance

Assignment:

1. Write, accomplish, and evaluate 4 measureable work-based learning objectives.
2. Complete a portfolio.
3. Write a 2-page summary and analysis of a professional meeting for paralegals and/or attorneys.
4. Attend facilitated group support meetings.
5. Keep accurate records of hours worked per week.
6. Arrange and prepare for a meeting with instructor and job supervisor at least one time.
7. Repeating students will create new objectives that are more complex and at a higher level of competency.

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Portfolio

Writing 10 - 25%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving
0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Completion of work-based learning objectives

Skill Demonstrations
50 - 65%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

None

Exams
0 - 0%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Participation and hours worked

Other Category
15 - 30%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Intern Handbook, DVD, and other career related materials prepared by instructor.