

Legal Studies Major (UMass Entry Fall 2018 or Later)

Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst

NAME: _____

Primary Major Secondary Major Dual Degree

SPIRE#: _____

120 credits NEEDED to graduate

() Credits EARNED to date (does not include current semester's credits)

() Current semester credits

() Total remaining credits (assuming you pass all of your classes this semester or you don't change your schedule)

() Pending credits (study abroad, transfer, CLEP exam, etc.) *Credits are not official until approved by the registrar*

Y N Residency Credits fulfilled? (45 credits, 54 cr. for honors)

() Cumulative GPA

_____ Expected Graduation

Advisor:

Date:

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (University-wide requirement)

Requirement	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
College Writing (CW)	
Basic Math (R1)	
Analytical Reasoning (R2)	
Biological Science (BS)	
Physical Science (PS)	

Requirement	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
Literature/Art (AL, AT)	
Historical (HS)	
Social/Behavioral Sci. (SB)	
Social World (AL, AT, SB, I, or SI)	
*U.S. Diversity (DU)	
*Global Diversity (DG)	

***One needs to be completed during your first year**

Two Extra Courses for Transfer Students

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Notes:

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Legal Studies majors must complete a minimum of 37-47 credits including the Junior Year Writing and Integrative Experience courses and a Global Law & Society requirement. All coursework for the major must be taken for a letter grade and carry at least 3 credits, and no more than 2 transfer courses (or a maximum of 8 transfer credits) may count toward the major. Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA within the major as well as overall, at the University, to graduate.

Major GPA	
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Introductory Requirement	Course/Credit	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
LEGAL 250 – Introduction to Legal Studies	LEGAL 250/ 4 cr	

LEGAL STUDIES COURSES: Complete at least seven Legal Studies courses at the 200-level or higher, including the Integrative Experience. Practicum and Independent Study courses may NOT be used toward major requirements.

Seven Courses of Legal Studies Credits at the 200-level or Higher	Course/Credit	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
200-Level or Higher		
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Legal Studies Integrative Experience (substitute elective for second majors)		

Junior Year Writing (waived for second majors)	LEGAL 450/ 3 cr.	
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LAW-RELATED LIBERAL ARTS: Complete three law-related liberal arts courses outside of (and approved by) the department. No more than one of these can be at the 100-level. (See list of courses on the department website.)

Law-Related Liberal Arts Courses (at least 3 credits for each course)	Course/Credit	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
100-Level or Higher		
200-Level or Higher		
200-Level or Higher		

GLOBAL LAW & SOCIETY: Complete three courses, choosing one of the following options. COURSEWORK IN THIS AREA CAN OVERLAP WITH WORK FROM ABOVE.

Global Law & Society Courses (at least 3 courses, or 9 credits)	Course/Credit	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
Option One: Three courses from Global Law & Society list (two must be Legal courses, only one can be at the 100-level)		
Option Two: Two courses study abroad, one class from Global Law & Society list.		
Option Three: Two foreign language courses (or at least 6 credits), one class from Global Law & Society list.		