

Pre-Law Pathway Certificate Semester Checksheet

Student:	UID:
Advisor:	Major:

Pre-law Pathway Certificate

The certificate is intended for students who want to attend law school. Students learn about the U.S. legal system and how to critically analyze legal source material, such as court decisions and statutes. Students are given important instruction on the U.S. constitution and in specific areas of law and social policy.

Students seeking information about law school should consult the prelaw advisor, Sean Wilson (sean.wilson@wright.edu), 366 Allyn.

<u>Admissions Requirements</u>

Students must be currently admitted to Wright State University.

Learning Objectives

Students in the Pre-Law Pathways certificate program will learn to:

- describe the basic structure and process in the US legal system;
- identify important case precedents decided by the United States Supreme Court, as well as significant rules and doctrines in American constitutional law;
- describe important common law and statutory rules of American substantive and procedural law.

Learning Outcomes

As a result of their learning experience, those who complete the Pre-Law Pathways certificate can:

- identify the fundamental structure and processes in the US legal system;
- explain legal reasoning and discuss cases decided by the United States Supreme Court;
- discuss rules and doctrines in constitutional law;
- describe important substantive and procedural rules in American law.

I. LEGAL SYSTEM (choose one course) PLS 3400 Law and Society PLS 4150 Law, Lawyers and the System PLS 4170 Appellate Politics and Moot Court	PLS 4420 Criminal Justice System SOC 3730 Sociology of the Courts, Law, and Justice
II. COURT & CONSTITUTION (choose one course) PLS 3420 Civil Liberties I: First AmendmentPLS 3430 Civil Liberties II: Due ProcessPLS 4010 Development and Construction of American Civil LibertyPLS 4090 Supreme Court and Legal Judging	PLS 4210 American Constitutional PoliticsPLS 4260 Supreme Court in American PoliticsPLS 4400 Constitutional Law
III. LAW & POLICY (choose one course) ACC 3430 Federal Income Tax I ACC 4440 Federal Income Tax II COM 4620 Mass Media: Law and Regulation EC 4200 Law and Economics FIN 4140 Real Estate Law FIN 4160 Retirement Planning FIN 4260 Estate Planning LAW 3000 Legal Environment of Business IV. ELECTIVE (choose one additional course from A	LAW 4300 Legal Aspects of the WorkplacePLS 4160 Sex and the Law _PLS 4360 Criminal Law _PLS 4370 Criminal Procedure _PLS 4380 Environmental Law and Policy _PLS 4390 Bioethics and Law _PLS 4410 Natural Resources Law _PLS 4710 International Law _PLS 4821 Pre-Law Internship

Total Hours: 12