

**Program Number 30-110-2
 Technical Diploma • Two Terms**
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Paralegals work under the supervision of lawyers in a range of tasks—researching the law; preparing for hearings; interviewing clients and witnesses; and preparing legal documents and other legal correspondence. Paralegals cannot give legal advice or represent clients in court. If you are detail-oriented, organized, strong in communication, and enjoy researching and analyzing facts, you might find a career as a paralegal very rewarding. This credential is appropriate for those persons who already have earned a bachelor's degree.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Apply ethical principles in a legal environment.
- Apply critical thinking skills to address legal issues.
- Demonstrate professionalism in a legal environment.

CAREER AND EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

LTC credits transfer to over 30 universities. For more information visit gotoltc.edu/future-students/transfer.

ADMISSIONS AND FIRST SEMESTER ENROLLMENT STEPS

- Submit online application.
- Complete the online Student Success Questionnaire.
- Submit official college transcripts for proof of bachelor's degree
- Schedule your First Time Program Counseling/Registration Session with your assigned program counselor to plan your first semester schedule, review your entire plan of study and discuss the results of the Student Success Questionnaire.

**Submit transcripts and test scores (optional, highly recommended): College transcripts, along with high school transcripts and test scores from within the last five years, used for course registration. Official transcripts needed for transferring college credit(s) and for financial aid purposes.*

FUTURE SEMESTER ENROLLMENT STEPS

- Complete online Student Success Tutorial prior to registering for second semester.

APPROXIMATE COSTS

- \$143.45 per credit tuition (WI resident) plus \$8.61 per credit student activity fee. Material fee varies depending on course. Other fees vary by program. Visit gotoltc.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-fees for details.

FINANCIAL AID

This program is eligible for financial aid. Visit gotoltc.edu/Financial-Aid or talk with your Admissions Advisor about how to apply for aid.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR ONLINE LEARNERS

While many of the courses may be offered online, students are required to take at least ten semester credits or the equivalent of legal specialty courses through traditional classroom instruction. This requirement may be satisfied through synchronous interactive video systems, as they are considered equivalent to traditional classroom instruction.

CONTACT

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Catalog No.	Class Title	Credit(s)
Term 1		
10110101	Introduction to Paralegalism and Legal Ethics	3
10110105	Legal Writing	3
10110103	Civil Litigation 2	3
10110168	Criminal Law - Paralegal	3
		12
Term 2		
10110102	Civil Litigation 1	3
10110104	Legal Research	3
10110106	Family Law	3
10110114	Administration of Estates	3
		12
		TOTAL 24

Curriculum and Program Acceptance requirements are subject to change. Program start dates vary; check with your advisor for details. The tuition and fees are approximate based on 2022-2023 rates and are subject to change prior to the start of the academic year.

ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES...provides the learner with the skills to assist attorneys to administer estates, differentiate between probate and nonprobate property, contrast various forms of marital property, gather appropriate factual and financial information, select and draft appropriate forms to open an estate, prepare an inventory, draft a final accounting and documents to close an estate, draft tax documents, prepare powers of attorney and simple wills, and assist in the valid execution of estate planning documents. PREREQUISITE: 10110101 Intro to Paralegalism

CIVIL LITIGATION 1...provides the learner with the skills to evaluate causes of action and defenses; conduct an initial client interview; perform an initial investigation; draft a summons and complaint, answer, counterclaim, cross complaint, motions and supporting documents, select appropriate discovery devices; draft interrogatories and responses; prepare for depositions; draft a Notice of deposition and Subpoenas; analyze fact patterns; and evaluate evidentiary objections. PREREQUISITE: 10110101 Intro to Paralegalism

CIVIL LITIGATION 2...provides the learner with the skill to evaluate and summarize depositions; evaluate evidentiary challenges; prepare a witness list; draft settlement documents; locate expert witnesses; prepare witnesses; prepare for presentation of evidence at trial; prepare a trial notebook; draft a Bill of Costs; prepare post trial motions; evaluate and research appellate issues. PREREQUISITE: 10110102 Civil Litigation

CRIMINAL LAW-PARALEGAL...provides the learner with the skills to analyze state and federal criminal procedures, determine if a search and arrest is in accordance with the Fourth Amendment, analyze the Miranda rules, draft a criminal summons and complaint, determine possible defenses for a defendant, draft motions, analyze a criminal complaint and jury instructions for required elements, create demonstrative evidence, create a trial notebook, conduct a client interview, and contrast prosecution and defense roles. PREREQUISITE: 10110101 Intro to Paralegalism

FAMILY LAW...provides the learner with the skills to conduct an initial client interview for a family law matter, including divorce and domestic violence; draft initial pleadings for divorce, financial family law documents, divorce discovery documents, and concluding documents in divorces; assess the need for post-divorce modification and enforcement; and outline factors involving child custody and support. PREREQUISITE: 10110101 Intro to Paralegalism

INTRODUCTION TO PARALEGALISM AND LEGAL ETHICS...introduces the learner to the paralegal profession, including civil, criminal, and administrative procedure; state and federal judicial systems; legal research; case briefing; ethical rules that apply to paralegals; law office software; and substantive civil law.

LEGAL RESEARCH...provides the learner with the skills to differentiate between primary or secondary authority, locate statutes and constitutional provisions, locate case law, locate administrative regulations, locate secondary authority, use correct citation form, verify and update legal authority, formulate legal issues, use effective research strategies, evaluate solutions to legal problems, and use computer-assisted and internet legal research strategies. Some classes will be held off campus in a law library. PREREQUISITE: 10110101 Intro to Paralegalism

LEGAL WRITING...provides the learner with the skills to draft legal correspondence, operative legal documents, case briefs, and legal and office memoranda; analyze and synthesize legal authority; use correct citation form; draft a civil pleading, affidavit, trial brief, and appellate brief; and apply rules of civil procedure. PREREQUISITE: 10110104 Legal Research and 10801195 Written Comm or 10801195OL Written Comm Online