

Minor in Prelaw

18 units

The prelaw minor (<https://www.apu.edu/programs/prelaw-minor/>) program includes courses in political science, criminal law, constitutional law, and political philosophy. The department's prelaw advisor assists prelaw students in selecting appropriate courses and with the process of identifying and applying to law schools.

Requirements

No more than 6 units from the prelaw minor (<https://www.apu.edu/programs/prelaw-minor/>) may be in common with the student's major.

The program maintains the following requirements:

1. Students must complete all prerequisites for any course with a C- or better before taking the course (except as noted in the course description).
2. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all courses required for the minor.
3. Students must complete each course with a C- or higher for the course to meet a degree requirement in the Prelaw program.

Code	Title	Units
Core Courses		
POLI 150	American Government	3
POLI 415	The Federal Judiciary	3
Electives		
A total of four courses is required		12
Select at least three of the following:		
POLI 250	Introduction to Criminal Law	
POLI 260	Introduction to Legal Transactions	
POLI 350	Constitutional Law: Fundamental Freedoms	
POLI 351	Constitutional Law: Criminal Justice	
POLI 352	Constitutional Law: National Powers	
POLI 353	Seminar on Legal Studies	
Students may also select no more than one of the following:		
POLI 360	Classical Political Thought	
POLI 363	Modern Political Thought	
POLI 376	The American Founding	
Total Units		18

Program Learning Outcomes

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. American Government and Constitutional Law - Explain the principles, purposes and main features of American Government and the United States Constitution.
2. The Federal Judiciary and Judicial Philosophy - Analyze the components, function, and philosophy behind the Federal Judiciary and judicial process.
3. Legal Studies and Critical Thinking - Explain the American legal system specifically including the following fields of study: civil procedure, contracts, torts, property, criminal law, and business law. Apply critical thinking skills to legal analysis in preparation for further legal studies (law school).
4. Christian Foundation - Articulate a Christian understanding of law.