



Paralegal

Becoming a paralegal means joining one of the fastest-growing career paths today. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of paralegals is projected to grow 12 percent by 2030.

Attorneys are dependent on educated paralegals to work with clients, witnesses, court personnel, and other professionals. Paralegals often prepare documents and complete case research and investigative work.



Get Trained at MCC

At MCC, you can complete either a one- or two-year program to become trained as a paralegal. The two-year degree program includes in-depth study of the practical and theoretical aspects of the law. Classes are taught by instructors who are currently practicing attorneys and paralegals.

Upon completing the two-year program, you will earn an Associate of Applied Science degree; after three years of work experience you will be eligible to take the certification exam offered by the National Association of Legal Assistants and the State Bar of Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

MCC also offers a one-year paralegal certificate that allows students to receive training to quickly enter the workforce. MCC is a member of the Waco Legal Professionals Association and the State Bar of Texas Legal Assistant Division.

What You will Learn

- Skills necessary to work in law firms, businesses, industry, and the government
- Case and computer research writing
- Document preparation and office management
- Work on discovery



Become a valuable member of a legal team and enjoy the satisfaction of working with attorneys and clients.

What You will Get

- Classroom and internship experience
- Knowledge of the latest software programs
- Instructors who are dedicated to your success
- Eligibility to take certification examinations after three years of work experience

Internship Experiences

You will get a chance to earn valuable experience from an internship that allows students to receive supervised learning experiences in law offices so you are ready to enter the workforce upon graduation.

Gainful Employment Information

Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students in these programs is available at www.mclennan.edu/gainful-employment.

Learn More

Go to www.mclennan.edu/paralegal-studies/ to learn more about MCC's Paralegal program.

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For students in these programs who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please speak with your faculty member or program director. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

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