



Transfer Pathway

Rio Salado College (RSC) AAS Paralegal (Major Code 3126)

To

American Public University System (APUS) BS Legal Studies

Students must complete a minimum of 120 semester hours (either by transfer or completion at APUS) to complete the Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies. This transfer pathway recommends completing 90 credits at Rio Salado College, followed by 30 credits at APUS as listed below.

Associate of Applied Science in Paralegal

Complete the AAS Paralegal (Major Code 3126) as prescribed

- When options are available, APUS recommends: COM 225, PAR 234, POS 222, PAR 230

One History (HIS) Course

Any 140 level MAT course (or higher)

At least 17 additional semester hours

Total maximum completed at RSC: 90 semester hours

Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies

COMM120 – Information & Digital Literacy

LSTD302 – Criminal Law

Select 7 courses from the list below:

- LSTD209 – Sports Law, Risk, and Regulation
- HOSP204 – Introduction to Hotel and Restaurant Law
- BUSN311 – Law and Ethics in the Business Environment
- EVSP411 – Environment Policy, Regulation, and Law
- HOSP302 – Hospitality Law
- ITMG281 – Law, Privacy, and Digital Data
- LSTD304 – Military Law
- LSTD306 – International Law
- LSTD401 – Maritime Law
- LSTD402 – Immigration Law and Policy
- LSTD453 – Evidence
- POLS410 – Public Policy
- SOCI422 – Sociology of the Law
- SSGS490 – Independent Study

LSTD497 – Senior Seminar in Legal Studies

Total minimum needed at APUS: 30 semester hours

Please note:

- Credit variances in academic placement and credit award can occur based on student course selections and APUS' program requirements.
- Any transferable course not used to fulfill General Education or Major/Concentration requirements may be taken. Please note remedial/developmental and vocational credit is not transferable.
- In order to transfer courses to APUS, the student must earn a grade of "C" or better.
- APUS must adhere to the residential credit requirements and corresponding transfer credit limits set forth by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). At least 25% of the degree program must be completed as residential credit. For a Bachelor's degree with 120 semester hours, 30 of those semester hours must be residential credit.
- For more information about this pathway, please visit <https://www.maricopa.edu/future-students/advising>, <https://www.apu.apus.edu/cc/index.html>, or <https://www.amu.apus.edu/cc/index.html>.