

Contracting LEGL Courses for Honors in the Paralegal Studies Program

What are the requirements for earning Honors credit for a paralegal course?

You can earn Honors credit for any 300 or 400 level course in the Paralegal Studies Program subject to the approval of the instructor offering the course.

What are the deadlines and how do I contract a course for Honors?

Contact your instructor during the first week of class to let her/him know that you would like to contract the course for Honors credit.

Drop by your instructor's office hours to discuss possible projects. (An appointment is recommended.) We encourage you come equipped to this meeting with topics or ideas that interest you and are related to the course material (see below for some ideas). Your goal is to identify a project by the second or third week of class.

Draft a brief proposal of the project, and get your instructor to sign the Contract.

Schedule a meeting with a Paralegal Honors Advisor (or drop by during their office hours) to present your idea and request approval. This should be on or before October 1 or February 1 – do not wait until the last minute to submit an Honors contract, as this may result in the deadline being missed.

You must submit the completed paper work to the Honors College by October 15 or February 15. To do this, you need to allow time to discuss possible projects with the instructor of the course, draft a proposal for the project, and get approval from a Paralegal Studies Advisor (Professor White).

What is the purpose of contracting a course?

The goal of contracting a course is to challenge yourself and delve into the course material more deeply. The contract is an agreement between you and the instructor on what type of project you will undertake.

What are some examples of examples of past Honors contract projects?

Choose a research topic that interests you and create a website, poster, talk, or paper to the instructor, the class, or some other group. If possible, exploring a topic relevant to your Honors Thesis can be especially beneficial.