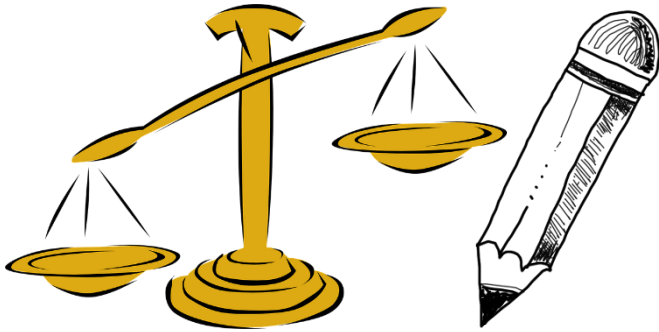


# Management - Legal Studies



Major classes and electives give you the chance to delve into various legal aspects of business. By analyzing data and becoming familiar with the law, you learn to apply your legal knowledge to real-world situations. To get a more concentrated legal education, legal studies graduates can go to law school and earn a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree.

A career in business law is one of the most financially rewarding careers. One potential career path is to become a business lawyer. A business thrives on the expertise of a

business lawyer with regard to the legalities of running a business. The business lawyer is responsible for filing and reviewing legal documents, making contracts and business agreements, and reviewing business documents. A business lawyer provides legal counsel and represents the company in any legal process. Before becoming a business lawyer, one must go through rigorous training and education. However, the fulfillment that comes with practicing business law is definitely worth it.

While graduates can continue their education to become attorneys, that is not the only career choice for an individual with a legal studies emphasis. Supportive specialists, business managers, financial experts, and other industry professionals can also benefit from these programs and might not require any further education. However, there are ways to specialize in a particular aspect for receiving certifications in areas you are interested in—please see the back of this sheet for more details.

Sources: Education Portal-Legal Studies, Study.com, Legal Studies Degree Overview

## Average Salary & Trajectory\*

### Entry-Level

**\$63,000** annually

- Legal Administrative Assistant
- Paralegal
- Legal Aid Service
- Compliance Specialist
- Legal Secretary (I & II)

### Mid-Level

**\$81,000** annually

- Legal Secretary (III & IV)
- HR Specialist
- Contracts Administrator
- Compliance Analyst

### Senior-Level

**\$183,000** annually

- Assistant General Counsel
- Compliance Programmer
- In-House Counsel

## Learn More With O\*Net

Visit O\*Net Online to explore the sample roles in government economics. The database provides career exploration tools to the public at no cost and is continually updated by surveying a broad range of workers from each occupation. Learn about the knowledge, skills, tasks, and activities required for each occupation, as well as median wages and employment trends reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and other federal agencies.

01

Visit O\*Net Online at [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)

02

Refer to the sample job titles listed in the "O\*Net Keywords" section below

03

Enter phrase into O\*Net's "Occupation Search" to explore sample roles

### O\*Net Keywords:

- Compliance
- Legal
- Law
- Clerk
- Contracts
- Compliance

### Roles:

- Lawyer
- Judicial Law Clerk
- Compliance Manager

\*Note: Salaries are highly dependent on location, company type, and candidate experience/education. For the purposes of this guide, we are providing average starting salaries as determined by the U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), as well as supplemental information found from various industry-specific sources.

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## Skills/Experience Suggested:

- Excel knowledge
- Document Management Software (*Adobe Acrobat, Microsoft Office*)
- Basic knowledge of law and legal studies
- Legal research tools
- E-filing
- Bilingual is a plus
- Leadership
- Teamwork/collaboration
- Written and verbal communication
- People management
- Ethical skills
- Interpersonal
- Detail-oriented

## Advanced Degrees:

- Juris Doctor Degree (J.D.)
- Master of Laws (LL.M.)
- Certified of Juridical Science/Doctor of Laws

## Professional Certifications:

- Accredited Legal Professional (ALP)
- Paralegal Certification
- Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC)
- Accredited Legal Secretary

## Professional Associations:

- The State Bar of California
- American Bar Association
- Legal HR, Recruiting and Professional Development

## Campus Resources:

- Moot Court
- Pre-Law Society

## Industry Research & Tools:

- Collegegrad.com/careers/lawyers
- Bls.gov
- CareerOneStop.org
- What Can I Do with this Major -through Career Services website
- Fullerton.firsthand.co

## Job & Internship Search Sites:

- Usajobs.com
- Lawjobs.com
- Theladders.com/
- LinkedIn.com
- Titan Connection
- Fullerton.joinhandshake.com
- Fullerton.firsthand.co – Login with your CSUF email

## Employers Hiring CSUF Business Graduates:

