



Criminal Justice Program Pre-law & Paralegal Studies Minor



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The Department of Criminal Justice, History, and Social Sciences at Northwestern State University offers excellent educational opportunities.

- **Minor in Criminal Pre-law & Paralegal Studies (PLPS)**
Pre-law & Paralegal Studies Minor (21 Hours)

Pre-law and Paralegal Studies Minor: The NSU Pre-law and Paralegal Studies Minor is a seven-course, 21-hour focus on pre-law study, at NSU for any student pursuing a degree within the University (Major need not be in the Criminal Justice program, nor the Department). Students completing this minor and degree requirements will graduate with a Bachelor's degree in their chosen major, with a minor in Pre-law and Paralegal Studies. Students desiring to add this minor may do so by contacting the Registrar's office to make this change in their curriculum. For admission information, contact Admissions at: <http://admissions.nsula.edu/online-application-guide/>, or <http://admissions.nsula.edu/transfer-admission/>.

- **For Questions about the PLPS Studies Minor**, contact Shirley Snyder, Coordinator of Criminal Justice/Pre-law & Paralegal Studies Program at: snyders@nsula.edu; (318-357-6963 or 6967).

Fee Reduction for Law Enforcement Officers & Public Safety Personnel: Northwestern State University offers fee exemption for commissioned full-time law enforcement or public safety officers, which include firemen and EMS personnel. Undergraduate students may enroll up to 9 undergraduate semester hours and Graduate students may enroll in up to 6 semester hours at the reduced rate. All additional hours will be at the standard tuition rate.

- **Facts**
 - All degrees available by Internet
 - No campus visit (enroll, pay fees, buy books, register for classes on Internet)
 - NSU accepts transfer credits
 - VA benefits available for eligible Veterans
 - NSU designated as a Military Friendly University
 - **Out-of-state Internet only students enrolled in Internet courses pay in-state tuition rate.**
 - To see what textbooks are being used, please visit the Textbooks in Use link: <http://criminaljustice.nsula.edu/textbooks/>
 - To apply for admissions, please visit our website: <http://criminaljustice.nsula.edu/frequently-asked-questions/>

- **Pre-law & Paralegal Studies Minor Requirements:**

(21 semester hours) Students seeking a Pre-law & Paralegal (PLPS) Minor must be pursuing a bachelor's degree program, and must complete 21 hours of PLPS courses as part of minor requirements while seeking a bachelor's degree in any major. PLPS courses include 15 semester hours from PLPS 3020, 3030, 3040, 3050, & 3070, and six (6) semester hours of PLPS electives selected from PLPS 3010, 3060, and 3080. Students must have sophomore status prior to adding and commencing the requirements for this minor.