

Information for 2009-10 Proposed Legal Studies Major Transfers and Frosh

We are pleased with your interest in Legal Studies as your major. Following is some information we hope you will find helpful.

The Legal Studies Program offers both major and minor undergraduate degrees.

Frosh and Junior Transfers:

We recommend that you take lower-division Legal Studies 10, Introduction to the Legal Process, the first quarter it is available. It is a requirement for the major and also satisfies an IS general education requirement.

Declaration of Major:

Declaring the major in Legal Studies is a four-step process:

1. Print a **Study Plan – Declaration of Major/Minor** form that can be found at <http://advising.ucsc.edu/student/index.html>. Complete the *University, General Education, and College Requirements* section and obtain approval from your college advisor.
2. Register for and attend a Legal Studies/Politics major declaration workshop led by the student adviser. The workshop schedule and registration form is posted outside of Merrill College, room 23. At the workshop you will be given all the information needed to be a successful Legal Studies major.
3. Meet with your faculty adviser. Each student meets with a faculty member to discuss an intended program of study; including its breadth and purpose.
4. Meet with the Legal Studies student adviser. Your declaration will be complete and entered into the Academic Information System (AIS).

Major Requirements:

The Legal Studies course requirements for a major include:

- Legal Studies 10 – *Introduction to Legal Process* and Philosophy 9, 22, or 24.
- Legal Studies 111A – *Constitutional Law* or Legal Studies 111B – *Civil Liberties* And Legal Studies 173 – *International Law*
- Six core courses two in each of three concentrations: Theory, Public Law and Institutions, and Law and Society.
- A Senior Capstone course or completion of a Senior Thesis to satisfy the senior comprehensive exit requirement

Minor Requirements:

The Legal Studies course requirements for a minor include: Legal Studies 10 and any five upper division core courses.

The Legal Studies Program Office is located at 27 Merrill College. Open office hours are 1:30 - 4:30 pm Monday through Thursday, changes will be noted on the office door. You can reach us by telephone at (831) 459-2056 or by email at legalstudies@ucsc.edu. We hope to see you soon.