

**PRE-LAW*****GENERAL STUDIES, LIBERAL ARTS PROGRAM OF STUDY*****JCJC CURRICULUM SHEET**

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The Notes over include a proper strategy for planning the pre-law program of study and selecting a major. Students will enhance their chances for acceptance into highly competitive Schools of Law by following the strategy of building an impressive academic record.

**FRESHMAN YEAR****ENGLISH COMPOSITION (6 HRS)**

ENG 1113 English Comp. I 3  
ENG 1123 English Comp. II 3

**HISTORY (Select 6 HRS in one group)**

HIS 1113 Western Civ. I 3  
HIS 1123 Western Civ. II 3  
HIS 2213 American History I 3  
HIS 2223 American History II 3

**SOCIAL SCIENCE (Select 6-9 HRS)**

PSY 1513 General Psychology 3  
SOC 2113 Sociology 3  
PSC 1113 Am. Nat. Government 3  
ECO 2113 Economics I 3

**FINE ARTS (Select 3 HRS)**

ART 1113 Art Appreciation **or**  
MUS 1113 Music Appreciation 3

**MATH (3 HRS)**

MAT 1313 College Algebra 3  
MAT 1323 Trigonometry 3

**BIOLOGICAL LAB SCIENCES (8 HRS)**

BIO 1134 General Biology I 4  
BIO 1144 General Biology II 4  
BIO 1414 Zoology 4  
BIO 2424 Zoology II 4

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE (6 HRS)**

Foreign Lang. (French/Spanish) 3  
Foreign Lang. (French/Spanish) 3

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**SOPHOMORE YEAR****LITERATURE (Select 6 HRS)**

ENG 2413 World Literature 3  
ENG 2323 English Literature I 3  
ENG 2333 English Literature II 3

**HUMANITIES ELECTIVE (3-6 HRS)**

PHI 2113 Intro. to Philosophy 3  
HIS 2213 American History I 3  
HIS 2223 American History II 3

**SOCIAL SCIENCE (6-9 HRS)**

PSC 1113 State & Local Govern. 3  
ECO 2123 Economics II 3  
GEO 1123 Geography 3

**COMPUTER SCIENCE ELECTIVE (3 HRS)**

CSC 1113 Computer Concepts **or**  
BAD 2533 Bus. & Microcomputers 3

**PHYSICAL LAB SCIENCE (4 HRS)**

PHY 2244 Physical Science I **or**  
CHE 1214 General Chemistry I 4

**BIOLOGICAL LAB SCIENCE (Select 4 HRS)**

BIO 2514 Anat. & Physiology I 4  
BIO 2524 Anat. & Physiology II 4

**SPEECH (3 HRS)**

SPT 1113 Speech 3

**HEALTH (3 HRS) USM**

HPR 1213 Health 3

**BUSINESS COURSE ELECTIVES**

ACC 1213 Accounting I 3  
BAD 2413 Legal Environment 3

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE (6 HRS)**

Foreign Lang. (French/Spanish) 3  
Foreign Lang. (French/Spanish) 3

**PRE-LAW -- NOTES:**

A bachelor's degree in some field of study is required as well as an entrance examination (LSAT). Law schools typically do not specify a particular major. A college education should stand on its own merits. Admissions committees are impressed by applicants who can convincingly demonstrate that they have challenged their thinking and analytical skills in a diverse course of undergraduate study.

Law schools prefer students who can think, read, and write well, and who have some understanding of what shapes human experience. The student can best acquire these attributes by selecting a variety of college courses in the humanities, the social sciences, and natural sciences, as found in the sample curriculum.

An undergraduate major that is narrow, non-challenging, or vocationally oriented is not a preferred preparation for law school. Majors selected range from business, political science, history, English, accounting, philosophy, and a variety of other fields.

Students without an adequate high school math background, which includes a minimum of Algebra II, should enroll in a preparatory math course, such as Basic Math, Beginning Algebra or Intermediate Algebra, prior to College Algebra. Preparatory math courses will not transfer to other institutions.

Additionally, students should plan to complete no more than half of the hours required for a bachelor's degree prior to transferring to the senior institution. The student should consult the catalog of the senior institution for specific admissions procedures and other details concerning the program of study.

This CHECK SHEET should be used to keep a careful record of grades for each of the courses and should be presented to the student's advisor for planning the schedule of courses each semester at JCJC.