

LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE



Bachelor of Arts Degree

The undergraduate program in Law and Social Justice provides students with an interdisciplinary curriculum that engages in critical analysis of justice issues. In Law and Social Justice, we seek to discover the social and historical roots of justice and injustice and examine how popular understandings of these principles shape public policies, including those of the legal system. The program consists of courses in history, politics/government, law, social and behavioral sciences, economics, and the environment. The program provides students with a broad but intensive understanding and appreciation of the social, ethical, political, and cultural issues pertinent to social justice and the law. Through critical inquiry, social science investigation, and experiential learning, Law and Social Justice students will develop an understanding of important social, ethical, political, environmental, economical, and cultural issues associated to the law by studying the structural roots of crime and examining the legal and social concerns of diverse, urban, low-income, and disenfranchised communities whose members are often clients of the criminal justice system.

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Law and Social Justice provides excellent preparation for employment in an extensive range of careers. This major not only prepares the student for a profession with advocacy groups, nonprofit organizations, federal, state, and local governmental institutions, or any employer seeking people with strong skills in research, writing, analysis, and advocacy with contemporary legal and social issues, it is also an excellent choice for professionals seeking advancement in criminal justice/law enforcement careers and for students considering advanced study in social services, urban and regional planning or law.

Program Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be able to:

1. develop ethical decision-making skills guided by the values, principles and standards of the law and social justice professions, particularly the values of self-determination, empowerment, and regard for diversity.
2. analyze philosophies associated with different economic systems and their effects on people and environments.
3. produce local, regional, and international research using statistical and qualitative methods into social injustice and propose provisional solutions.
4. analyze skills and attitudes that promote effective leadership and responsible administration of organizations in the legal and social justice fields.
5. formulate effective communication skills both orally and in writing with particular emphasis on informative and persuasive argumentation supported by logic, legal precedent, and scholarly research.
6. analyze situations according to different social, historical, and political paradigms.
7. compare various political systems that affect economic and social policy.
8. evaluate contemporary and historical effects of urban migration, industrialization, land ownership, urbanization and new technologies on specific social groups and societies.

Admission Requirements:

All candidates for admission must pass the College's entrance examination requirements or successful completion of the Paralegal Studies Associate of Applied Science degree. Each candidate for admission is considered individually on merit and potential.

Graduation Requirements:

A grade of "C" or better must be achieved in all courses to be eligible to graduate. To remain in good standing a GPA of 2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale is required.

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Major:		Quarter Hours:
CIS114	Computer Usage and Software Applications	4
CIS116	Spreadsheet Applications	4
ECO342	Economics of Globalization	4
ECO348	Urban Economic Development	4
LSJ101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4
LSJ110	Introduction to Social Justice	4
LSJ310	Theories of Justice and Social Change (Justice and Equality)	4
LSJ316	Women, Justice, and the Law	4
LSJ320	Law and Racism in America	4
LSJ325	Community Organizing/Community Law	4
LSJ331	Workers' Rights and Human Rights	4
LSJ338	Juvenile Justice System	4
LSJ354	Politics of Punishment, Analyzing Prisons and Jails	4
LSJ361	Public Administration	4
LSJ385	Professionalism and Ethics	4
LSJ450	Research Methods	4
LSJ495	Law and Social Justice Internship	4
Total Hours		68

General Education:		Quarter Hours:
ECO144	Introduction to Macroeconomics	4
ENG109	Principles of Speech	4
ENG116	Composition	4
ENG117	Advanced Composition	4
ENG310	Technical Writing	4
HUM110	Human Potential	4
HUM201	Professional Development	4
MAT161	Calculus for Business and Social Sciences	6
PSC110	Introduction to American Government	4
PSY140	Introduction to Psychology	4
SOC100	Introduction to Sociology	4
SOC300	Social Psychology	4
Total Hours		50

General Education Electives:		Quarter Hours:
Upper-Division Humanities		4
Life Science with Lab		6
Upper-Division Social/Behavioral Sciences		4
Total Hours		14

Open Electives:		Quarter Hours:
Open Electives		12
Total Hours		12

LSJ Electives:		Quarter Hours:
LSJ Electives		44
Electives must support knowledge of legal and/or social justice.		
Total Hours		44

Total Hours Required for Degree 188



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ED Gainful Employment Disclosure

Award Year	2015 - 2016
OPEID #	004568
CIP CODE	22.0000
Credential Level	03 Bachelor Degree
Normal Time to Complete	4 years
Programmatic Accreditation ⁸	N/A
Licensure Requirements ⁶	N/A

Occupations Related to this Program

Job Title:	SOC Code:
Social Workers, All Others	21-1029.00

On-Time Completion*

Graduates who completed their program on-time ¹	not reported
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Job Placement Rate and Earnings*

Job seeking graduates employed in their field of study ⁷	100%
Program accreditation placement rate ⁸	N/A
Typical graduate earnings ⁵	not reported

Estimated Program Costs**

Tuition and fees	\$65,270
Books and supplies	\$5,500
Off-campus room and board	\$53,784

Median Loan Debt*

Loan participation ²	78%
Typical graduate debt ³	not reported
Typical monthly payment ⁴	not reported

*Fewer than 10 students enrolled in this program. On-time completion, job placement rate, and median loan debt numbers may have been withheld to preserve the confidentiality of the students.

**The amounts shown above include costs for the entire program, assuming normal time to completion. Note that this information is subject to change.

Footnotes:

- The share of students who completed the program within 100% of normal time (4 years).
- The share of students who borrowed Federal, private, and/or institutional loans to help pay for college.
- The median debt of borrowers who completed this program. This debt includes federal, private, and institutional loans.
- The median monthly loan payment for students who completed this program if it were repaid over ten years at a 6.8% interest rate.
- The median earnings of program graduates who received Federal aid.
- Some states require students to graduate from a state approved program in order to obtain a license to practice a profession in those states.
- State Job Placement Rate:
 - Name of the state this placement rate is calculated for: *Illinois*
 - Follow the link below to find out who is included in the calculation of this rate: <http://www.midstate.edu/programs/disclosures/information/placement.pdf>
 - What types of jobs were these students placed in? *Jobs within the field*
 - Positions that recent completers were hired for include: *Case Manager, Paralegal*
 - When were the former students employed? *Within one year of completion*
 - How were completers tracked? *Graduate Career Services Exit Application & Individualized Career Assistance*
- Accreditor Job Placement Rate: N/A

I have read and acknowledge the information contained within this disclosure. Today's Date: _____

Student Name (please print): _____ Student Signature: _____