

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE 2025-2026

This list includes only the requirements that are commonly seen in transfer and is not a comprehensive list of all the course requirements within the BA Legal Studies program. For a complete list of program requirements, please refer to the University of Massachusetts Global catalog.

Further information regarding the courses below can be found in the University of Massachusetts Global [Course Articulation Database \(CAD\)](#).

General Education Requirements

Foundation Courses		
LEST 300	Foundations of Law	LA 300
LEST 403	Legal Research and Writing	No Comparable Course(s)
LEST 304	Constitutional Governance	No Comparable Course(s)
LEST 306	Business Organizations	No Comparable Course(s)
LEST 462	Ethics in a Legal Environment	No Comparable Course(s)

Degree Requirements & Concentrations/Electives

BA Legal Studies consists of 33 credits in core courses and 12 credits of electives or in courses in a selected area of emphasis to fulfill the 45 credit requirement for the program.

Students may choose from the following emphases:

1. Electives
2. Paralegal Profession
3. Business Law

It is possible for transfer courses to meet course requirements within the emphasis area.

***Minimum of 30 credits completed in residence at University of Massachusetts Global; 18 of which must be upper-division credits, 12 of which must be in the student's major.**