LAW AND AMERICAN CIVILIZATION PROGRAM

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The Program

The Law and American Civilization Program introduces undergraduates to the American legal system. Students will learn the methodology and gain the knowledge necessary to participate as active citizens in a nation devoted to the rule of law and will receive intensive training in analytical reasoning and critical thinking. Students majoring in Law and American Civilization may wish to attend law school following college graduation; they may choose to apply to graduate school in one of the disciplines of the program; or they may enter the work force in government, business and industry or politics. This course of study is not necessarily a pre-professional program. Students not contemplating law or graduate school are encouraged to major in the program if their primary academic interest in college is to learn more about the American legal system.

• Major in Law and American Civilization

Courses

LWAC 491 THESIS IN LAW AND AMERICAN CIVILIZATION (3)
Using internet technology and traditional classroom instruction students will research and write on some aspect of law in American society and civilization. Prerequisites: open only to majors who have completed at least 24 units in the major; consent of instructor.

LWAC 497 PRACTICUM IN LAW AND AMERICAN CIVILIZATION (3)
Practicum in a law firm, court of law or in business. Prerequisite: open only to students majoring in Law and American Civilization who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.00.

LWAC 498 DIRECTED READINGS IN LWAC (3)
Readings and research in preparation for the writing of an honors thesis under the supervision of the director or one member of the Law and American Civilization advisory board. Prerequisites: open only to majors who have completed at least 30 units in the major and have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.25 and a GPA of 3.50 in the major, consent of instructor.

LWAC 499 HONORS THESIS IN LWAC (3)
Research and writing of an honors thesis guided by the director of Law and American Civilization or a member of the advisory board. Prerequisites: open only to majors who have completed at least 33 units in the major and have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.25 and a GPA of 3.50 in the major, consent of instructor.