

Application to the Major

I. Prerequisites

There are four prerequisites for the Legal Studies major. **All courses used for the major must be taken for a letter grade.** To declare the major, you must have at least two of the four prerequisites completed with a minimum overall prereq gpa. AP scores of 3 or higher, or higher level IB scores of 5 or higher may be used to satisfy the prerequisites.

II. GPA

In addition to the 2.0 overall prereq gpa, you must also have an overall UCB 2.0 gpa

III. Essay

This is an informal essay that should be no more than two pages. The content is not used to determine your admittance to the major. Your essay should include the following:

- a little bit about yourself (where you're from, your interests, etc.)
- an interesting/funny/bizarre anecdote about yourself
- reasons why you are interested in the Legal Studies major
- any hopes/plans you may have for your life after Cal

IV. Application Forms

Please complete the Application to the Major and your essay and a Petition to Declare a Double major or Simultaneous Degree packet if you're doing one of those two options. Single majors do not need a Petition to Declare.

V. Declaring

You may declare at any point of the year **except** during the first and last two weeks of the Fall & Spring semesters (RRR Week and Finals Week). Bring your Application to the Major and Essay and if you are declaring a second major, the Petition to Declare a Double or Simultaneous Degree to Lauri La Pointe during drop-in hours 8:30am-12pm or 1:30-4:00pm. No appointment necessary.

