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“Our E360 program provides our pre-professional students the opportunity to work hands-on with veterinarians, physicians and other healthcare professional to gain crucial clinical experience.”

— Dr. Benjamin Rusiloski, president of Delaware Valley University



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The American Bar Association (ABA) clearly states there is no official “pre-law” curriculum and that students are admitted to law school from a variety of academic majors. Nevertheless, there are important skills, knowledge and experience that the ABA recommends acquiring prior to law school and that will provide a good foundation for a legal education. The Pre-law minor assures that students acquire the skills, knowledge, and experience recommended by the ABA such as problem-solving, critical language skills, background information, research and data analysis, and exposure to law, that will help them apply to and complete Law School.

Students from any major at DelVal have the option of declaring a minor in Pre-law through the Interdisciplinary program. Moreover, the Pre-law minor was designed so that students may choose courses that fulfill both the requirements for the minor and for the Core Curriculum program. Additionally, all students in the minor must take a Pre-law Capstone course where the aforementioned skills and knowledge are practiced and assessed and where students will have the opportunity to interact with experts in the legal system.

To declare a Pre-law minor, students must communicate with their academic advisors and the Interdisciplinary Studies Coordinator, Dr. Jessica McCall, jessica.mccall@delval.edu.

THE EXPERIENCE360 PROGRAM

The Experience360 Program (E360) is central to a DelVal education and embraces a full range of activities and opportunities that will give you well-rounded experiences that can't be found anywhere else. This approach will prepare you for a life of meaningful work, service and career growth. Integrating knowledge and experience, you'll be prepared to put your skills into action as globally responsible citizens. One hundred percent of our students will gain real-world competencies through internships, career exploration, student research, study abroad, leadership development, community service or civic engagement.

MINOR CURRICULUM

Choose one course in each of these areas

Exposure to the Law

- Intro to Criminal Justice
- Law for Entrepreneur
- Criminal Law
- Business Law I and II
- Environmental Law and Policy

Research and Data Analysis

- Statistics for Business
- Data Visualization
- Methods of Psych Research
- Statistics for Science
- Criminal Justice Research Methods
- IT Infrastructure & Data Analysis

Critical Language Skills

- Theory of Writing
- Storytelling
- Women's Literature
- Structures of English Language
- World Literature
- Philosophical Issues in Criminal Law

Background Information

- African-American History
- Political & Cultural Geography
- American History Government Since 1877
- Race, Class, Gender & Crime
- Social Movements, Protest & Conflict
- American History Government Before 1877

Problem-solving

- Intro to Public Policy
- News Reporting & Writing
- Victimology
- International Political Economy & Diplomacy
- Comparative Politics
- International Business
- Drugs, Crime, and Society

Pre-law Capstone

This course will ensure students practice the most important skill: synthesizing material from a variety of sources and drawing logical conclusions from various types of evidence.

ABOUT DELVAL

Delaware Valley University, an independent, comprehensive university of more than 1,000 acres in Bucks and Montgomery counties, features individualized attention and emphasizes experiential and interdisciplinary learning. Located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, DelVal offers more than 25 undergraduate majors, 10 master's programs, a doctoral program, and a variety of adult education courses.