# FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**PARALEGAL (D25380)**

# Effective: Fall 2020

# Revised Date: 02/18/20

The Paralegal Diploma is a one-year program of study for those who already have a Bachelor's degree. The diploma program provides intensive practical training in a variety of areas of law. Students who desire to refine the skills acquired through a Bachelor's degree into marketable job competencies in the legal field will find this to be an excellent opportunity.  A Paralegal/Legal Assistant may not practice law, give legal advice, or represent clients in a court of law.

Length: 3 Semesters

Prerequisite: BA Degree

Award: Diploma

**FALL SEMESTER 1**

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| **Prefix No.** | Title | **Class** | **Lab** | **Clinical** | **Credit** |
| CIS110 | Introduction to Computers | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| ENG111 | Writing and Inquiry | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX110  | Introduction to Paralegal | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| LEX130 | Civil Injuries | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX140 | Civil Litigation I | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX160 | Criminal Law & Procedure | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX210 | Real Property I | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX250 | Wills, Estates, & Trust | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
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|  | **Totals** | **19** | **6** | **0** | **22** |

**SPRING SEMESTER 1**

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| **Prefix No.** | Title | **Class** | **Lab** | **Clinical** | **Credit** |
| LEX120  | Legal Research/Writing I | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX141  | Civil Litigation II | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX150 | Commercial Law I | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX180 | Case Analysis & Reasoning | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| LEX211  | Real Property II  | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX240 | Family Law | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEX270 | Law Office Mgt/Technology | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| PHI230 | Introduction to Logic | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
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|  | **Totals** | **16** | **14** | **0** | **23** |

**SUMMER SEMESTER 1**

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| **Prefix No.** | Title | **Class** | **Lab** | **Clinical** | **Credit** |
| WBL112 | Work Based Learning I | 0 | 0 | 20 | 2 |
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|  | **Totals** | **0** | **0** | **20** | **2** |

**TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS … 47**

\* Transfer credit from an ABA-approved paralegal education program may be awarded after approval by the Paralegal Technology Department Chair. The Department Chair will review the course syllabus and other documentation including the method of instruction. A minimum of 18 semester hours of legal specialty courses must be taken at FTCC. A maximum of 6 semester hours of legal specialty courses may be accepted as transfer credits. A minimum of 10 semester hours of legal specialty courses must be completed through traditional classroom instruction.

**Work-Based Learning Option:** Students are required to take 2 credit hours of Work-Based Learning. Students must acquire prior

approval from the Work-Based Learning Coordinator and the Department Chairperson in order to receive credit for this diploma.