

# INTERDISCIPLINARY MINOR IN **PRE-LAW STUDIES**



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STUDENT TO  
FACULTY RATIO

## **PREPARING YOU TO PURSUE A J.D. OR OTHER PROFESSIONAL LEGAL CAREER**

The pre-law minor at Eastern includes courses that develop abilities in analytical and critical thinking, in reading comprehension, and in communicating effectively in both the written and spoken language. Students report that the pre-law minor has been very helpful in their first and subsequent years of law school.

### **PRE-LAW INTERNSHIPS**

Internships are offered in a variety of agencies and private law firms. These include state's attorney, public defender, public interest agencies and private law firms. Internships offer academic credit, and some offer modest payment. Interns work with lawyers in performing legal research, interviewing clients and witnesses, attending court sessions and doing other law-related work in a professional setting.

### **PRE-LAW SERVICES & ACTIVITIES**

These include internships, moot court competitions, a pre-law student society, special academic advising and assistance with preparing for the LSAT. Pre-Law services include:

- law-related internships for academic credit
- resources about ABA-approved law schools
- information about the LSAT and preparatory materials
- assistance in preparing for law school

- assistance in applying to law school
- connections to alumni network of legal professionals and law students

### **MOOT COURT EXPERIENCE**

This is a credit course offered by the EIU Political Science Department in which students train to represent attorneys skilled in appellate advocacy. EIU Moot Court teams compete at regional and national Moot Court competitions.

### **THE PRE-LAW SOCIETY**

All students who are interested in a career in the law are urged to join. Activities include field trips to law schools, guest speakers, fund-raising events, LSAT prep and special awards. There are three generous scholarships open to pre-law students, one of which is available only to members.

### **PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

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## **TOTAL MINOR COURSEWORK: 18 HRS**

### **REQUIRED CORE COURSEWORK: 9 HRS**

**ENG 3001** Advanced Composition  
**HIS 3600G** US Constitution and the Nation  
**PHI 1900G** Logical and Critical Reasoning

### **ONE 2000 OR 3000-LEVEL CASE-ORIENTED COURSE: 3 HRS**

**ENG 3700** American Literature: 1450 to 1800  
**MGT 3900** Employment Law  
**PHI 3070** Philosophy of Law  
**PLS 2503** Legal Research and Argument  
**PLS 3523** Criminal Law  
**PLS 3543** Civil Liberties in America  
**PLS 3553** Federal Indian Law and Policy

### **ONE 4000-LEVEL CASE-ORIENTED COURSE: 3 HRS**

**PLS 4774** American Constitutional Law  
**PLS 4853** The Supreme Court  
**JOU 4420** Communication Law & Ethics



**JOIN THE EIU PRE-LAW SOCIETY ON FACEBOOK**

### **CHOOSE TWO ELECTIVES: 3 HRS**

**BUS 2101** Financial Accounting  
**BUS 2750** Legal Social Environment of Business  
**CMN 3100** Persuasion  
**ECN 2802G** Principles of Microeconomics  
**ECN 4850** Economic Analysis of Law  
**ENG 3802** Shakespeare  
**ENG 3892** Shakespeare, Honors  
**ENG 4760** Special Topics in Professional Writing  
**HIS 2500** Historical Research and Writing  
**HIS 3750** African-American History: A Survey  
**HIS 3900** Women in American History  
**HSL 4240** Family Advocacy, Policy, and Law  
**HTM 3370** Ethical/Legal Env Hospitality & Tourism  
**KSR 4760** Sport Law  
**PHI 3050G** Social and Political Philosophy  
**PHI 3720** Theory of Knowledge  
**PLS 3513** Politics and the Legal Process  
**PLS 3253** Human Rights and International Law  
**PLS 4903** Classic Political Theory  
**PLS 4913** Contemporary Political Theory  
**PUBH 4800** Drugs and Society  
**SOC 2750G** Social Problems Contemporary Society

