



# Wayne County Community College District

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### PLT 265 Paralegal Practicum

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**CREDIT HOURS:** 3.00

**CONTACT HOURS:** 45.00

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This is an academic internship opportunity for students to gain practical legal experience in a structured professional environment. Students meet periodically with the course instructor for orientation and evaluation.

**PREREQUISITE:** Program Admission

**EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:**

- Students will gain real life work experience in a law firm or municipal law department
- Students will learn how to file briefs, assist with trial preparation in both civil and criminal cases
- Students will observe and gain a deeper knowledge of the various roles within the legal system, for example; role of persecutor, defense attorney, judge, legal secretary, paralegal.

**ASSESSMENT METHODS:**

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

**GRADING SCALE:**

90%-100% = A

80%-89.9%= B

70%-79.9%= C

60%-69.9%= D

<60% = E