Description and Outcomes
If you already possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution and want to enter the paralegal profession, consider the Pathway to Paralegal Postbaccalaureate Certificate program. This certificate program is designed to increase your knowledge of the paralegal profession and provide you with the foundational coursework to prepare to become a paralegal. Courses teach you how to communicate effectively in a legal environment, conduct legal research, and evaluate legal sources. In addition, you will apply learned concepts to relevant legal arguments and examine ethics in legal environments.

Program Length
The Pathway to Paralegal Postbaccalaureate Certificate program consists of a minimum of 36 or 37 quarter credit hours, depending on your choice of elective. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded a certificate.

Program Outcomes
1. Communications: Communicate effectively in legal environments.
2. Ethics: Apply ethical decision making to paralegal practice.
3. Critical Thinking: Apply critical thinking to paralegal practice situations.
4. Practice: Analyze theoretical and practical concepts in areas of legal specialization.
5. Legal Research: Conduct legal research.

Program Availability
For program availability, please refer to the U.S. State and Other Approvals (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/accreditation-approvals-memberships/) section and Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf).

Policies
Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams
Certain state certification and licensure boards have specific educational requirements for programs to lead to a license or nongovernmental certification that is a precondition for employment in a recognized occupation.

Unless otherwise specified, Purdue Global's programs are not designed to meet any specific state's licensure or certification requirements. If certain licensed occupations, vocations, or professions are not explicitly listed, Purdue Global has not reviewed the licensure or certification requirements of those occupations, vocations, or professions, nor intended the program to meet such requirements. Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states; please see Purdue Global's Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf) to determine enrollment eligibility.