



Shift your Career Path with Nurse Paralegal Training



When law and medicine intersect, companies increasingly turn to nurse paralegals to sift through all the medical records and industry jargon. Law offices, insurance companies, hospitals, and publications all trust nurse paralegals to make certain that patient care is delivered safely, effectively, and legally.

Working as a Nurse Paralegal

Nurse paralegals apply their medical training and experience outside of clinical work. Most nurse paralegals have five or more years in direct patient care and maintain their nursing credentials even after transitioning partially or completely over to legal work. To be successful they must keep abreast of developments in both the medical and legal fields.

Most nurse paralegals work regular business hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, allowing for weekends and holidays off. Working as a nurse paralegal removes you from the physical demands of direct patient care (lifting, bending, pathogen exposure, etc.) while still allowing you to advocate for patients' needs and rights.

According to Indeed.com, average income for nurse paralegals in 2013 was just under \$70,000 annually, earning substantially more than paralegal generalists. Employment opportunities are expected to grow 17 percent between now and 2020.



Paralegal work requires many of the professional skills that make you a great nurse--excellent judgement, problem-solving abilities, capacity to balance multiple tasks, people skills, and attention to detail. The need for nurse paralegals is growing and the supply of trained professionals is low; your nursing experience plus our four-month training program will make you highly attractive to potential employers.



Curriculum & Eligibility

This program is a hybrid course. Nurse paralegal candidates will gain competency in essential paralegal skills alongside students training as paralegal generalists. Nurse paralegal students will also complete Tort Law and Health Care Law for Paralegals in an online platform. This program includes substantial Internet work as well as in-class time. Proof of a current nursing license (minimum of LPN or RN) is required prior to enrollment.



Nurse Paralegals draw from their medical expertise to interpret medical terminology and industry jargon, and provide their professional opinion regarding legal matters involving health and medical issues. You may be asked to research and interpret standards of care, adherence to accepted protocols, or liability issues for either side of a legal or insurance case.

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Free Information Sessions

We invite prospective students to learn more about program requirements at a free information session. Attend an information session and receive \$150 off your program tuition. Call 702-895-3394 for upcoming dates.

Workload

UNLV Nurse Paralegal instruction is conveniently scheduled to work with your busy life. Students attend class one evening or morning per week. An online component will focus specifically on Tort Law and legal issues relevant to health care. Participants should anticipate spending additional out-of-class time completing course assignments and conducting research at the UNLV Law Library. Instruction takes approximately four months to complete.

Instructors

UNLV's Paralegal Program instructors are all licensed, experienced attorneys working in the Las Vegas area. They share their subject matter expertise and knowledge of the legal system to prepare you for the demands of a paralegal career.

Why Choose UNLV for your Paralegal Education?

UNLV's Paralegal Certification has been emulated and adopted at prestigious universities around the country, including DePaul University, Duke University, Howard University, Rice University, University of California Berkeley, University of California Davis, as others. We have been a leader in paralegal education in southern Nevada since 1993.

For Registration or More Information

Find program details and updates online at **ced.unlv.edu/catalog/nurse-paralegal-certificate-program**. Reach Continuing Education via email at **continuing.education@unlv.edu** or by phone at **702-895-3394**.