

Accelerated Paralegal Technology



Exclusive and unique to Collège O'Sullivan de Montréal inc. in the province of Quebec

DCS – 310.CO

Offered on campus or online

Offered in English

Two-year program (1 710 hours) (Intensive Program)

Prepare for a career in criminal law, corporate law, family law, immigration law, civil law, administration law, real estate law, litigation, notarial law or in a bailiff office.

This accelerated paralegal technology program is designed for students who have completed all general education courses at the college level: humanities, literature, French second language, physical education and complementary courses.

This two-year specialized program enables students to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to work within the legal field. Graduates of this program may also pursue studies in law at university. Paralegals carry out various responsibilities within the legal field.

Prospective students require an intermediate knowledge of oral and written French to register to this program of study because some textbooks are only available in French.

Each semester, students in the program will have the unique opportunity to improve their skills in French by collaborating on a second-language group project.

To fulfill the needs of the job market and meet the requirements of the "Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur", students will be required to:

- Read doctrine and jurisprudence in French;
- Occasionally draft in French;
- Search for legal documents in both English and French.

Why choose our program?

The program also includes many hours of training in the computer lab to help students gain a thorough knowledge of the theoretical and practical aspects of the paralegal profession. Included are courses in civil procedures, computer-assisted legal research, corporate law, title Search and various other subjects using the software.

In addition, students partake in activities associated with the training. Students will have the opportunity to visit the Montreal courthouse and attend a trial.

Graduates of this program may also pursue studies in law at university.



Course Curriculum

45 hrs	Administrative Law
75 hrs	Civil Law I
75 hrs	Civil Law II
60 hrs	Civil Law III
45 hrs	Civil Law IV
45 hrs	Civil Law V
60 hrs	Civil Procedure I
60 hrs	Civil Procedure II
45 hrs	Commercial Law
60 hrs	Computer-Assisted Legal Research
60 hrs	Corporate Law
45 hrs	Criminal Law
45 hrs	Drafting of Deeds
45 hrs	Drafting of Legal Procedures
525 hrs	Internship*
45 hrs	Introduction to the Work Function
45 hrs	Labor Legislation and Procedures
45 hrs	Legal Procedures Practicum
75 hrs	Legal Research
45 hrs	Penal Procedure
45 hrs	Software I / Paralegal
60 hrs	Software II / Paralegal
45 hrs	Title Search

*A fifteen-week internship (525 hours) is completed during the last semester. The college assists each student with their internship search.

We teach the following Computerized tools and applications as well as specialized software: Windows, Microsoft Office Suite, SOQUIJ, Quicklaw, La référence, Aliform, EnAct, etc.

N.B.: The College reserves the right to modify this program without advance notice.



Mock Trial

A project is done in the Legal Procedures Practicum course where students prepare a mock litigation.

Career opportunities

Prepare for a career in criminal law, corporate law, family law, immigration law, civil law, administration law, real estate law, litigation, notarial law or become a bailiff by meeting the requirements of the professional association.

Fifteen-week internship

A wide range of career opportunities awaits a graduate of this program: working with lawyers, notaries, bailiffs, in-house counsel, government departments, agencies. They could also become a legal clerk of various tribunals or a bailiff.

In addition, we offer students the opportunity of completing their third year of studies in French immersion. Students must meet certain requirements.

Lawyers and Notaries make for a stellar Paralegal Department staff.

During the course of their studies, students will work alongside lawyers, notaries and bailiffs in government agencies, paragonovernmental organizations and private firms.

In addition, we offer students the opportunity of completing their third year of studies in French immersion. Students must meet certain requirements.

Université Laval

Graduates of the Paralegal program who wish to continue their studies in Law at Université Laval will be recognized with an equivalent of 12 credits applicable to their program of study. (Certain conditions apply).

Université de Sherbrooke

Graduates of the Paralegal program who wish to continue their studies in law at Université de Sherbrooke will be exempted from four courses or will be granted an equivalency of 12 credits. (Certain conditions apply).

Université d'Ottawa

Graduates of the Paralegal program who wish to continue their studies in Law at Ottawa University will be recognized with an equivalent of 9 credits applicable to their program of study. (Certain conditions apply).

Université de Montréal

Graduates of the Paralegal program who wish to continue their studies in law at Université de Montréal will be granted an equivalency of 12 credits. (Certain conditions apply).