

5 great reasons to become a paralegal



1 Money!

The Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates the median annual wage for paralegals is close to \$50,000. That's not too shabby for a certificate program you can complete in as little as 3 months. Enroll in our 1-2 year certification or 12-week accelerated program and get started today.



2 No Regrets

Training and working as a paralegal will give you valuable insight as to whether becoming a lawyer is a good career fit and will save you hundreds of thousands of dollars if you decide to pursue a different option. Should you decide to acquire a law degree, the expertise gained as a paralegal will give you a competitive advantage over your



3 Stimulating Career

Paralegal work is very diversified and always stimulating. Understanding laws, regulations, precedent, and judicial interpretation requires continual learning, in addition to using new technologies to do your job.



4 Endless Possibilities

Paralegals gain skills in critical thinking, research, writing, preparing contracts, obtaining financial information, and client management. These skills make paralegals an asset to any legal team, whether in a traditional law firm setting, or supporting the legal team for national retailers, healthcare providers, corporations, nonprofits, and academic institutions.



5 Helping Others

Paralegals help people and serve their community by providing foundational support to attorneys so they can provide the best legal advice and services to those in need. This allows law firms to serve more people with greater efficiency, thereby reducing costs to clients.

UC San Diego Extension offers the region's top ABA-approved paralegal programs, providing part-time and accelerated formats to fit your busy schedule. Contact us or come to an upcoming free legal information session and get your questions answered.



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