“The Department of Public Policy has provided me a comprehensive foundation of knowledge and opportunities. My classes were challenging, yet rewarding—each involving critical thinking and analytical inquiry to understand how the legal system affects public policy. Most encompass both constitutional and political elements, which requires you to think beyond textbooks. The faculty have helped position me to be a successful law school applicant.”

—Zachary Price, senior legal studies major

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MAJOR IN LEGAL STUDIES

IPFW legal studies students earn an Indiana University Bachelor of Science in Public Affairs with a major in legal studies. All public policy students take four common courses, but then specialize in their major.

Students who are planning to attend law school or interested in working within the legal system may want to consider the legal studies major. An in-depth program, a connection to our community, and a faculty devoted to professional public service are good reasons to major in legal studies at IPFW.

This major prepares students for employment in a variety of governmental agencies, including court administration and positions in nearly every agency of government at the federal, state, or local level. Graduates may also choose to continue their studies in law school or pursue other advanced degrees in graduate school.

"From the beginning, I knew legal studies was the right major for me. The classes were challenging, but the professors were always helpful and supportive. I have gained ample reading and writing skills that will be of great value as I continue my education and attend law school. The strong foundation I received here will definitely help me reach my goals."

—Veronica Nicholson, senior legal studies major

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- Court administrator
- Research analyst
- Legal assistant
- Federal, state, or local governmental administrator

After Law School
- Law clerk
- Corporate or private practice lawyer
- Prosecuting attorney
- Judge
- Legal education

Types of Employers
- International governmental and non-profit agencies
- Federal, state, and local governmental agencies
- Federal, state, and local courts
- Law firms
- Corporations