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American Public University System Introduces Master of Arts in Legal Studies

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Degree Program One of Only a Few Legal Studies Programs Offered Online

CHARLES TOWN, W.Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 30, 2009-- [American Public University System](#) (APUS), introduced a Master of Arts in Legal Studies to broaden its program offerings for students interested in expanding their academic and professional development by studying legal doctrine and concepts. APUS also offers a Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies and an Associate degree in Paralegal Studies through its member institutions [American Public University](#) and [American Military University](#). APUS is one of only a handful of institutions to offer a legal studies program completely online.

An accredited, online, university system, APUS serves more than 50,000 working adults studying worldwide. It offers 75 [undergraduate and graduate degree programs](#) in an affordable and flexible format.

The Master of Arts in Legal Studies is a 36-credit degree program designed for students who wish to develop a better understanding of the law as it affects their careers, but are not interested in practicing law. The program prepares its graduates to pursue career opportunities in law and law-related fields in both government and business, or as a background for future graduate work.

The program in legal studies does not prepare students for the practice of law, and graduates of this program are not eligible for admission to the Bar of any state based solely on their completion of this program.

"We think it's important to provide a path for continued growth in our programs," said Wallace E. Boston, Jr., president of APUS. "This program complements our associate degree in paralegal studies and our bachelor's degree in legal studies and will help students continue their study of the law."

Classes range from Criminal Law and Advanced Legal Research and Writing to Islamist Lawfare and Contract Law. Upon completion of this program graduates will have a solid foundation in legal doctrine

and concepts and an expanded ability to identify and analyze legal issues within the workplace environment. Professionals most likely suited for this program are paralegals, law enforcement officers, issue advocates, practitioners in dispute resolution, and other professionals who want to better understand how legal issues impact their roles and responsibilities.

APUS is committed to keeping the cost of attendance low with a graduate tuition rate of \$275 per credit hour. Classes start monthly, with Legal Studies courses offered in 8-week sessions. For more information on degrees in Legal Studies, call 1-877-777-9081 or go to www.apus.edu.

About American Public University System

American Public University System includes American Public University and American Military University and educates more than 50,000 adult learners worldwide. APUS's relevant curriculum, affordability and flexibility helps working adults pursue degrees in subjects ranging from homeland security to management and liberal arts. A university book grant supplies textbooks at no cost for eligible undergraduate students.

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