

The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to Pre-Law.

Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

Sample Job Titles:

- Adjudicator
- Administrative Law Attorney
- Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms Inspector (Fed)
- Appellate Specialist
- Bar Examiner
- Claims Attorney
- Communications Lawyers
- Corporation Lawyer
- Criminal Investigator (Fed)
- Criminal Lawyer
- Customs Inspector (Fed)
- Defense Counsel
- Law School Director
- Law School Placement
- District Attorney
- Entertainment Lawyer
- Environmental Lawyer
- Family Law Attorney
- Foreign Affairs Officer
- Forensic Consultant
- Game Law Enforcement Agent
- Hearing Officer
- Immigration Attorney
- Insurance Attorney
- International Law Attorney
- Judge Advocate
- Judicial Clerk
- Labor Negotiator
- Law Librarian
- Legal Administrator
- Legal Investigator
- Legislative Analyst
- Legislative Counsel
- Lobbyist
- Mediator
- Nonprofit Executive Director
- Paralegal
- Patent Lawyer
- Probate Lawyer
- Prosecutor
- Public Defender
- Real Estate Lawyer
- Recruiting Director
- Researcher
- Risk Manager
- Securities Compliance Examiner (Fed)
- Senior Claims Representative
- Sports Lawyer/Agent
- Tax Attorney
- Title Attorney
- Venture Capitalist

Possible Professional Settings:

- Attorney General's Office
- Brokerage Firms
- Business Schools
- Department of Justice
- District Attorney's Office
- Federal Bureau
- Federal Courts
- Federal Trade Commission
- HMO Organizations
- Hospitals
- Human Resources Office
- Insurance Companies
- JAG (military)
- Judicial Affairs' Office
- Law Libraries
- Law Schools (admissions, career)
- Legal Aid Societies
- Nonprofit Organizations (ACCU, NAACP)
- Paralegal Schools
- Public Defender Offices
- Securities/Exchange Commission
- Small-Large Multi-Office Firms
- State Courts
- United Nations
- World Bar

Resources:

The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.

Websites Related to this Field

- Law.com: www.law.com
- Berkeley University of California: <http://career.berkeley.edu/law/law.stm>
Provides a comprehensive listing of websites for resources in law, law enforcement and criminal justice, lobbying/labor relations, and public policy/advocacy/think tanks.
- Law: www.law.com
An online legal news and information network that provides an overview of practice areas and the legal market.
- Marine Corps Civilian Police: www.usmccle.com
Marine Corps Civilian Police Program offers training and job opportunities for people interested in Civilian Police Officer positions.
- National Association for Law Placement : www.nalp.org/resources
An association of legal employers and career counselors, with a helpful section for pre-law students on choosing a law school, rankings, exploring career options, and salaries.
- Public Interest Law Initiative: www.pili-law.org/programs.htm
The Public Interest Law Internship is based in the Chicago area and features internships and fellowships for recent law graduates and law students.
- United States Department of Justice: www.usdoj.gov/careers/
The US Department of Justice site features information on careers in law, information technology, and opportunities for students.

Professional Associations - Samples

- American Bar Association, American Law Student Association: www.abanet.org
- American Intellectual Property Law Association: www.aipla.org
- Law School Admission Council: www.lsac.org
- National Association for Legal Career Professionals: www.nalp.org
- National Association for Paralegal Associations, Inc.: www.paralegals.org

General Career Information

- Washington Occupation Information System: www.wois.org Site Key: KTX478
- Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/oco
- The Occupational Information Network, (O*Net): www.onetcenter.org

SPU Resources

- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 - 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: www.spu.edu/depts/sas
- Academic Catalog: www.spu.edu/academics.aspx
- On Track Degree Planner: <http://spu.edu/academics/on-track-degree-planner/>

* Websites are current as of September 2011. If any go inactive, please let us know.

