

FOUNDATIONS OF LEGAL RESEARCH USING LEXISADVANCE®

PROGRAM OUTLINE



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Foundations of Legal Research Using Lexis® course is designed to help you expand your research capabilities, improve your writing skills, and learn the ins and outs of computer-assisted legal research. Using Lexis®, the leading online legal, news, and business information service for paralegals and lawyers, you will gain a solid foundation in the principles and practice of Legal Research and Writing. Blackstone's accredited online Legal Research using Lexis® is designed to prepare students to assist attorneys as they draft and establish formal documentation for their casework.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

Unit I | Blackstone's Skills for Success

Unit II | Legal Research and Writing Part I

Unit III | Legal Research and Writing Part II

Unit IV | English Usage and Written Communication

Unit V | Legal Research Using Lexis ®

Blackstone's Skills for Success

UNIT I



Chapter 1: Discover How You Learn Chapter
2: Find a Place to Study Chapter
3: Learn How to Study

Legal Research and Writing Part I

UNIT II

Chapter 1: Introduction to the Law and the U.S.
Legal System Chapter
2: Primary Sources Chapter
3: Secondary Sources Chapter
4: Computer-Assisted Legal Research Chapter
5: Conducting Legal Research Chapter
6: Updating and Verifying Legal Research Chapter
7: Legal Analysis

Legal Research and Writing Part II

UNIT III



Chapter 1: Introduction to Legal Writing

Chapter 2: Writing Legal Letters

Chapter 3: Legal Research Memorandums

Chapter 4: Trial Court Legal Memorandums

Chapter 5: Appellate Briefs

English Usage and Written Communication

UNIT IV

Chapter 1: Parts of Speech

Chapter 2: Parts of a Sentence

Chapter 3: Pronouns, Verbs, and Agreement

Chapter 4: Sentence Types and Punctuation

Chapter 5: Written Communications

Legal Research Using Lexis ®

UNIT V



Online Tutorial

One-on-one training with a dedicated Lexis Instructor

Training Session 1 – Initial Case Analysis

Training Session 2 – Cite Checking with Shepard's

Training Session 3 – Drafting Legal Documents

Training Session 4 – Public Records and News

Training Session 5 – Company and Financial
Information

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Identify common learning strategies

Demonstrate an understanding of basic grammar, proper punctuation and sentence structure to compose professional written communication

Describe the role paralegals play in conducting research

Explain the difference between a primary and secondary source

Discuss the different types of primary sources

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Compose sample legal documents

Conduct online legal research using the Lexis® legal research system



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