

**Virginia Western Community College**  
**LGL 126**  
**Legal Research**

**Prerequisites**

ENG 111 or divisional approval. Co-requisite: LGL 125

**Course Description**

Studies proper preparation of various legal documents, including legal memoranda, letters, and pleadings. Involves practical applications. May include case and appellate briefs. Lecture 3 hours per week.

**Semester Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: 3 Lab/Clinical/Internship Hours: 0**

**Required Materials****Textbook:**

Legal Research and Writing for Paralegals, Tepper Bevans, 1<sup>st</sup> edition, ISBN: 978-0-07352462-7

**Other Required Materials:**

None

**Course Outcomes**

**At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:**

1. Understand sources of law and their function in drafting legal documents
2. Know how to locate, read and brief a case, know how to locate, read and analyze a statute
3. Be able to analyze a basic factual problem and identify legal issues
4. Be able to write legal memorandums, letters and briefs of law explaining a topic

**Topical Description**

**Notes to Instructors**

None