



# WSBA

# Pathway to LLLT Admission

**STEP 1: COMPLETE EDUCATION**

A. Minimum **associate level degree**

B. **Core Education:** 45 credit hours at ABA approved program, including 7 courses with minimum credits:

- Civil Procedure, 8
- Contracts, 3
- Interviewing & Investigation Techniques, 3
- Intro to Law & Legal Process, 3
- Law Office Procedures & Technology, 3
- Legal Research, Writing, & Analysis, 8
- Professional Responsibility, 3

C. **Practice Area Education**

- Family Law: 15 credits



**STEP 2: TAKE & PASS EXAMINATIONS**

**Core Education** exam: NFPA Paralegal Core Competency Exam

**Professional Responsibility** exam: multiple choice exam on general scope and ethics

**Practice Area** exam, which includes multiple choice, essay, and practice exercise sections



**STEP 3: ESTABLISH EXPERIENCE**

**3,000 hours of substantive law-related experience;** approx. 18 months full time

Supervised by a licensed lawyer

Within 3 years before or after passing examination

Provide Declaration(s) of Supervising Lawyer(s)



**LIMITED TIME WAIVER**

**Waiver of associate degree and core education,** if you have:

1. Passed the NFPA PACE Exam OR NALA Certified Paralegal Exam OR NALS Professional Paralegal Exam and have active certification
2. 10 years of substantive law-related experience supervised by a licensed lawyer

Apply for waiver until **December 31, 2016**

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