

# Minnesota State University Moorhead

## PARA 416: Elder Law

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites:

This course requires both of these prerequisites

PARA 251 - Legal Research and Writing

PARA 325 - Interviewing

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

A study of the various public benefits programs that provide economic maintenance and financing of health care for the elderly, including medical assistance and Medicare. Special concerns in legal representation of the elderly. An exploration of the laws regarding self-determination and planning for incapacity.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 05/02/2003 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Representing Elderly Clients
2. Patient Self-Determination Laws
3. Overview of Public Benefits
4. Long Term Care Insurance
5. Medical Assistance
6. Medicare
7. Housing Alternatives

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. To provide an overview of the various public benefits programs which provide economic maintenance and financing for health care.
2. To study the government programs, including regulations and administration of the medical assistance and Medicare programs.
3. To study the areas of law relevant to self determination and planning for incapacity.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted