



The American Alliance of Paralegals, Inc. (“American Alliance”) advocates a Bachelor's Degree that includes, or is combined with, a paralegal studies program for persons entering the profession. Members are encouraged to continue their education throughout their careers. It is recommended that they participate in no less than 9 hours of continuing education annually, including at least one hour of ethics.

The American Association for Paralegal Education (“AAfPE) has adopted a policy statement on short-term programs. The American Alliance agrees that short-term programs do a disservice to the paralegal profession and opposes any program that does not meet minimal standards as set forth by the Conclave, an organization of national paralegal-related associations. The American Alliance strongly recommends quality paralegal education provided by formal institutions that are ABA approved or are in substantial compliance with the ABA guidelines. Therefore, the American Alliance applauds and supports AAfPE for their statement regarding short-term programs.

The American Alliance of Paralegals, Inc., a not-for profit corporation, is dedicated to advancing the paralegal profession by focusing on the individual paralegal.