

## Northwestern University School of Law

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The following systems of grading academic performance are or have been used at the Law School. (*For systems prior to entrance in 1968, please inquire.*)

**1968-1975:** For classes entering in the fall of 1968 or subsequently and scheduled to graduate prior to 1978, the following letter grade system:

H(Honors)..... 78 or above  
S(Satisfactory)..... 68-77  
P(Pass)..... 60-67  
F(Fail)..... 59 and below (no credit)  
CR(Credit)..... Given in the first semester courses and in certain other work

No class rank recorded. Grades of H, S, or CR for two-thirds of credit hours attempted subsequent to first semester required for graduation; P grades counted to the extent that student has H grades.

**1975-1993:** For classes entering in the fall of 1975 or subsequently and scheduled to graduate in 1978 or subsequently, grades and their numerical value on a 7.0 scale as set forth below:

A+/7, A/6, B+/5, B/4, C+/3, C/2, D/1, CR(*credit/passing given in first semester courses and certain other work*), F and Inc(*fail*).

**1975-1988:** Grading curve: A+/10%, A/15%, B+/20%, B/25%, C+/10%, C/5-15%, D&F combined 10%

**1988-2000:** Grading curve: A+/3-7%, A/12-18%, B+/20-30%, B/25-35%, C+/5-15%, C/10%, D&F/0-7%  
This grading curve was mandatory for first year courses over 40 in enrollment and recommended for all other courses.

**1993-2000:** Beginning in the fall of 1993, grades and their numerical equivalent on a 4.5 scale below:

A+/4.5, A/4, B+/3.5, B/3, C+/2.5, C/2, D/1.0, F/0

Class rank is NOT recorded. To graduate, a student's average must fall between C+ and C for credit hours attempted.

**Since 2000:** Beginning in the fall of 2000, grades and their numerical equivalent on a 4.33 scale are given below:

A+/4.33, A/4.0, A-/3.67, B+/3.33, B/3.0, B-/2.67, C+/2.33, C/2.0, D/1.0, F/0

**Since 2000:** Beginning in the fall of 2000, grading curve mandatory for all courses over 40 in enrollment:

A+/3-7%, A/12-15%, A-/10-15%, B+/15-30%, B/20-35%, B-/10-15%, C+/0-7.5%, C/0-7.5%, D&F/0-7%  
Class rank not recorded or reported. To graduate a student's average must meet or exceed 2.25