GEORGETOWN LAW

Grading Instructions for Fall 2024 Paper Courses

Grading Deadlines:

- Mini Course/Bookend Exam Courses (Take-Home Exams Friday, October 18, 2024 Friday, October 25, 2024): Grades Due Friday, November 8, 2024 by 5:00 P.M. ET
- All Final Exams and Papers (Papers Due Friday, December 13, 2024): Grades Due Tuesday,
 January 14, 2024 by 12 NOON ET
- Paper Extension (Papers due Saturday, December 14, 2024 through Monday, January 27, 2025): Grades Due Friday, February 14, 2025 by 5:00 P.M. ET (Due Friday instead of Monday 2/17 because of President's Day)

Penalty for Late Grade Submission:

Several years ago, full-time faculty members voted to impose on themselves a stiff penalty for late submission of grades. For graduating students' grades, there is a penalty of \$100 per day for each day that grades are turned in after the deadline (no grace period). For non-graduating students, there is a three-day grace period following the deadline; the penalty on the fourth day would be \$400, and an additional \$100 penalty would be imposed for each additional day that the grades are submitted late. Please note that while the monetary penalty does not apply to visiting or adjunct faculty, the grading deadlines are the same for full-time, visiting, and adjunct faculty members. Please be sure to submit your grades by the deadline.

Please use the following instructions to assist you in entering raw scores and final grades using the online grading system.

DUO Enrollment/Installation:

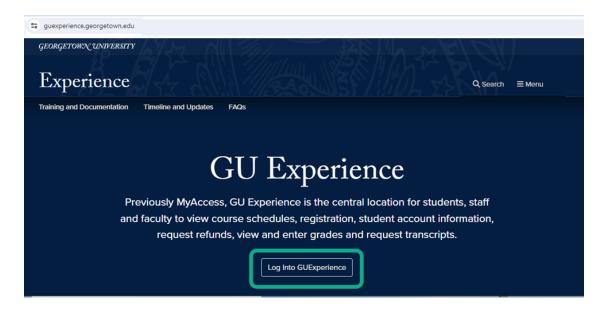
You need to be enrolled in the Georgetown DUO Application and have the app installed on your smartphone in order to log into <u>GU Experience</u>. From <u>GU Experience</u>, you will be routed to the new grading platform where you will enter your grades. Below are instructions for enrolling in DUO and logging into <u>GU Experience</u> using the DUO app. You can enroll in, install, and set up DUO on your smartphone <u>by accessing the link here.</u> If you still experience difficulty, please contact the Capitol Campus Help Desk at 202-662-9284 or **caphelp@georgetown.edu**.

Grade Reporting Process

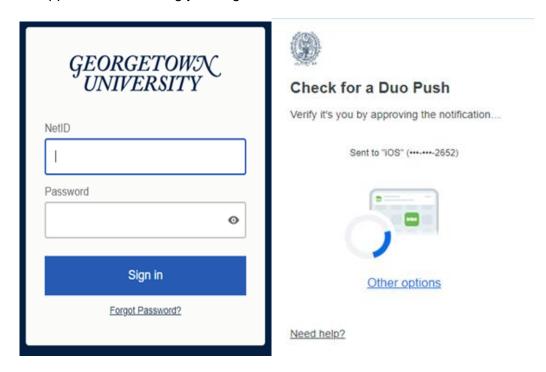
The online grading system requires faculty to enter and submit raw scores and final grades in GU Experience through the grading portal. All grades are due by the dates and times listed above.

Entering Grades:

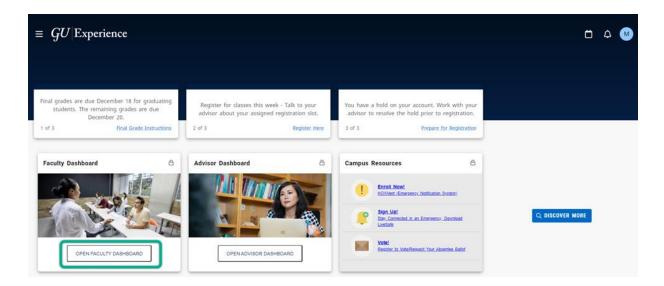
1. Log into GU Experience by navigating to <u>guexperience.georgetown.edu</u> and clicking the Login button.



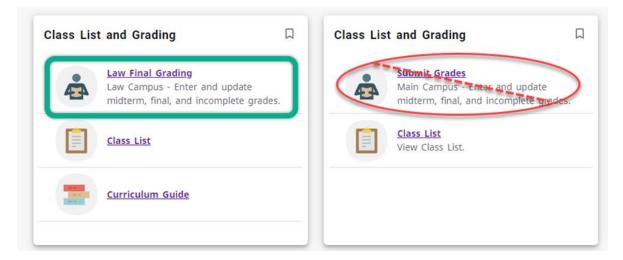
2. You will be asked to sign in with your NetID and password. Please remember to safeguard your password as you would your bank's PIN number. This password also accesses your employee information in GMS. If you have trouble logging in, please contact the Law Center Help Desk at caphelp@georgetown.edu or 202-662-9284. Two-Factor authentication is enabled so you will be required to approve access using your registered mobile device.



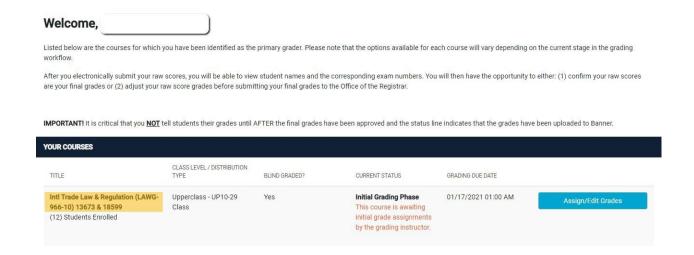
3. You will be directed to the GU Experience Homepage. From here, click Open Faculty Dashboard to view all cards within the faculty category.



4. Find the card entitled "Class List and Grading," and click the first link (Law Final Grading) to enter students' raw scores. Note that you must enter raw scores before you are able to view their identities and finalize their grades. If you also teach courses on the main campus, you will see a card for Main Campus Grading with a link to Submit Grades. Do **not** select that card for Law Courses.



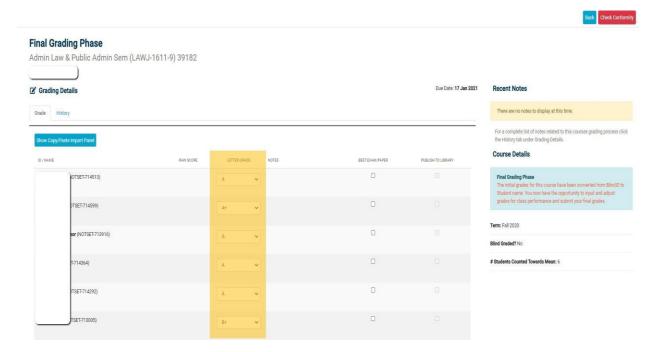
- 5. You will be directed to the grading platform and will be asked to sign in one more time with your Net ID and password.
- 6. On the welcome page, you will see all the courses that you are teaching in the current term.



If your course has a WR and a paper section (i.e., 3-credit and 2-credit sections of the same course), there will be two separate course numbers or CRNs. Please be sure to check that you see the CRN for each section. You should grade for one section, then come back and enter the scores or grades for the other section. Be advised that these sections, although part of the same course, will be curved separately for having different final assessments and or credit amounts.

Enter All Grades

1. To assign a final grade, choose a letter grade from the **letter grade** menu for each student.



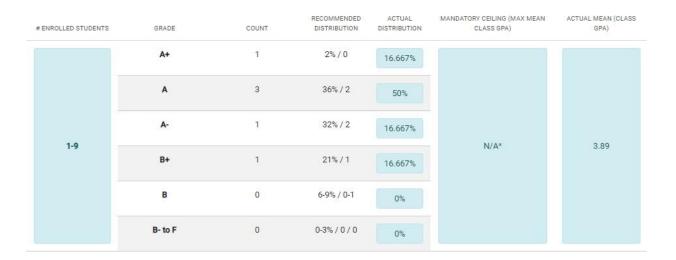
There is no save button on the screen; however, your work is **saved automatically** as you are entering it on the page. Once you have entered all final grades, click "Check Conformity" to

make sure that your grades are following the current curve.

2. If your grades meet conformity based on the curve associated with your course, you will receive a message stating that your grades are "In conformity with required grading guidelines".



 You will also see a breakdown of your grade distribution in comparison to the recommended distribution. The mandatory ceiling mean GPA (if applicable), along with the mean GPA for your class, will also be displayed. You may now click "Submit Final Grades".



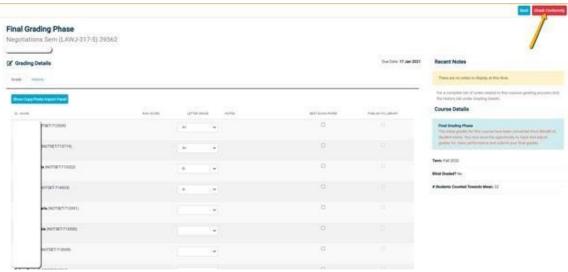
4. If your grades do not follow the approved curve guidelines, you will receive a notice that your grades are "not in conformity with required grading guidelines". The system will also display the reason why you are not in conformity. To make the necessary grade adjustments, click the "back" button, and you will return to the final grading phase. Once you have completed the adjustments and confirmed grade curve conformity, you may click "Submit Final Grades".



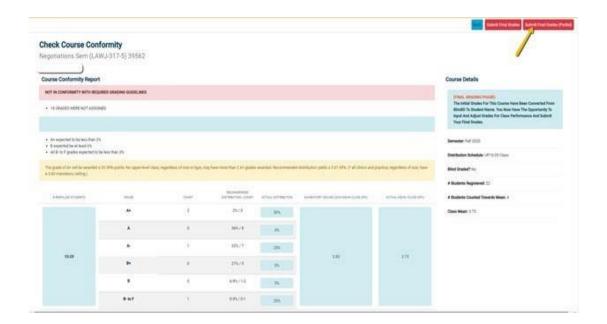
Entering Partial Grades

1. With paper courses, you are allowed to enter partial grades for your course in batches. This will allow you to submit some grades first and the rest later. This would usually be the case if you have allowed paper extensions for some of your students.

Enter grades for the students you would like to grade and once done, click "Check Conformity" button.



2. The conformity report associated with your course will display, note that because not all grades are entered, the message "Not in conformity with required grading guidelines" will display but the system will allow you to submit those grades by clicking on the "Submit final grades(partial)" button.

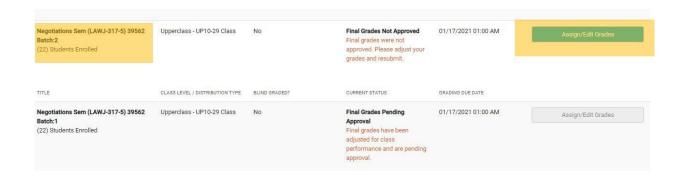


Please note that the curve will still apply to the entire class. For example, if you distribute all the As allowed in your class during the first batch of grades, you will not be allowed to give any more A grades to the remaining students.

3. You will be asked to confirm that you would like to submit a partial list of your final grades. Click "Yes".



Then you will return to the Faculty home page. You will notice that your course has been split into two batches.



4. When you are ready to submit the rest of your grades, please click on "Batch: 2". You will be allowed to submit your grades in as many batches as needed. However, keep in mind that the curve will be applied to the entire course.

Assign Best Exam/Paper Designation

Faculty members are encouraged to identify the best exam/paper for each course. There is no limit on the number of best exams or papers that can be selected. To make this selection, click on the "Best Exam/Paper" check box located to the right of each paper or exam. Papers are not published on the Library's website; therefore, you do not need to check off the "Publish to Library" box.

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Making Changes to your Final Grades

Prior to the Grades Deadline: You may make changes to your final grades yourself online, up until you submit your grades to the Office of the Registrar. Once you have submitted your grades, you will not be able to make any changes and your grades will be posted for students to view.

After the Grades Are Posted: If you wish to make a change to a previously submitted grade, based on a demonstrable clerical error, you will not be able to make the change online via the grading platform. In order to request a grade change based on a demonstrable clerical error, you

must contact the Office of the Registrar at lawreg@georgetown.edu, and provide details of the error in reporting the grade. lawreg@georgetown.edu, and provide details of the error in reporting the grade. <a href="mailto:Please do not communicate a grade change to the student unless the change has been approved by the Registrar.

Assistance Via Phone and Email

If you need assistance entering your grades, please contact us at 202-662-9220 during business hours or lawreg@georgetown.edu and we will respond as soon as we are able.

Please note that the Office of the Registrar staff will not be able to submit grades for you online because we cannot impersonate you in GU Experience. You should not share your GU Experience password with others. Handle your online grading access the same way you would handle access to your personal information.

Grading Policy

In Spring 2020, the faculty voted to make changes to the grading policies and curves for 1L and upper-level courses, effective Summer 2020. The new policies are below.

Mandatory 1L Course Curve

Grade	Recommended Target (+ Mandatory Min-Max)	
A+	1% (0-2%)	
Α	17% (17-19%)	
A-	20% (19-21%)	
B+	39% (39-43%)	
В	23% (15-25%)	
B- to F	0-5%	

Classes of fewer than 90 students may exceed or fall below the specified range for A and A- grades by one student. At least one A+ may be awarded per first-year class, regardless of class size. This Mandatory Curve applies to all first-year required courses, including the Evening Division sections of Criminal Justice and Property taken during the second year of the evening program.

Recommended Upper-Level Course Curve with Mandatory Ceilings

# Enrolled Students	Non-Mandatory (Recommended) Distribution	Mandatory Ceiling (Max Mean Class GPA)
1 – 9	A+ (2%) B+ (21%) A (36%) B (6-9%)	N/A*
10 – 29	A- (32%) B- or below (0-3%) Yields GPA: 3.67	3.80
30+	A+ (1%) B+ (33%) A (19%) B (14-19%) A- (28%) B- or below (0-5%) Yields GPA: 3.50	3.60

^{*}All clinics and practica, regardless of size, have a 3.80 mandatory ceiling.

Grade of A+

- The grade of A+ will be awarded 4.33 GPA points.
- For 1L courses, where the curve is mandatory, there is a target of 1% A+ and an allowable range of 0-2% A+. At least one A+ may be awarded per 1L class, regardless of class size.
- No upper-level class, regardless of size or type, may have more than 2 A+ grades awarded.