

GEORGETOWN LAW

Grading Policy

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%)	
A	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 Agrades by one student.

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%)	N/A*
10 – 29	A (36%) B (6-9%) 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.