



# OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL of York University

## Class Profile

### Grading Scale (Prior to 1990 - 1991)

Osgoode courses and seminars were graded on the following scale:

A = 4.00  
B = 3.00  
C = 2.00  
D = 1.00  
F = 0

### Overall Averages (Prior to 1990 - 1991)

Osgoode's overall yearly averages were calculated as follows:

A = 3.51 - 4.00  
B = 2.51 - 3.50  
C = 1.60 - 2.50  
D = Less than 1.60

Beginning with the 1990 - 1991 academic year, the following grading scale and overall yearly averages were phased into use. In 1990 - 1991, they were applied to first-year students only; in 1991 - 1992, they were extended to second year students; in 1992 - 1993, the revised grading scale and overall average calculations were in use for all students.

### Grading Scale

A+ = 9  
A = 8  
B+ = 7  
B = 6  
C+ = 5  
C = 4  
D+ = 3  
D = 2  
F = 0

### Overall Averages

A+ = over 8.49  
A = 7.50 - 8.49  
B+ = 6.50 - 7.49  
B = 5.50 - 6.49  
C+ = 4.50 - 5.49  
C = 3.60 - 4.49  
F = less than 3.60

## Grade Profiles in Courses and Seminars

From 1990 to 1994, the following mandatory grade profile was used for courses and seminars at Osgoode Hall Law School. Up to one-third of each letter grade could not be designated as a plus grade.

	First -Year Courses	Upper-Year Courses	Upper-Year Seminars
A+/A	10%	12%	22%
B+/B	42%	43%	54%
C+/C	42%	41%	23%
D+/D/F	6%	4%	1%

In response to the effect of the new grade scale on the distribution of student averages, the grade profile was adjusted as follows, effective 1994 - 1995. Up to one-third of each letter grade could be designated as a plus grade.

### All Year Levels

A+/A	15%
B+/B	60%
C+/C	20%
D+/D/F	5%

Beginning in Fall 2015, the following grading profile was used for courses with more than 30 students. Up to one-third of grades in the A and B range could be designated as a "plus" grade and up to two-thirds of grades in the C range could be designated as a "plus" grade.

All courses with 30 or fewer students, seminars and intensive programs are required to have a median grade of either a B or B+.

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## Distribution of Averages

Osgoode Hall Law School does not provide rankings or numeric grade point information for student standing in individual courses, in a year of study or upon graduation. The following is a eight-year summary of the percentage of students who achieved averages in each category.

2016 - 2017				2017 - 2018			
	Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)		Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)
A+	1	1	1	A+	1	2	3
A	12	13	20	A	8	16	18
B+	31	42	44	B+	40	46	38
B	45	33	29	B	38	31	33
C+	8	10	5	C+	11	5	6
C	2	0	0	C	1	0	1
F	1	1	1	F	1	0	1

2018 - 2019				2019 - 2020			
	Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)		Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)
A+	1	1	0	A+	0	2	3
A	9	16	17	A	8	13	23
B+	36	43	41	B+	38	46	32
B	44	34	33	B	38	30	32
C+	9	6	8	C+	15	8	9
C	1	0	1	C	1	1	1
F	0	0	0	F	0	0	0

2020 - 2021				2021 - 2022			
	Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)		Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)
A+	0	0	1	A+	1	1	1
A	8	15	15	A	9	16	13
B+	42	44	39	B+	39	46	46
B	38	33	36	B	39	29	33
C+	9	6	7	C+	9	7	6
C	1	1	1	C	2	0	0
F	2	1	1	F	1	1	1

### Explanatory Note to Winter 2018 Grades

Due to a labour dispute at York University during the 2018 Winter term, Osgoode Hall Law School students had the option, in advance of a final examination or submission of a final paper, to elect that a credit/no credit notation replace a letter grade on their transcript for all of their full year 2017-2018 classes and Winter term 2018 classes, or for certain specific classes significantly disrupted by the labour dispute. These credit/no credit notations are additional to those provided for clinical programs and law journals that are normally graded on a credit/no credit basis. Due to this credit/no credit option, course averages and class sizes were not run for any full year 2017-2018 classes or for any Winter term 2018 classes.

### Explanatory Note to Winter 2020 Grades

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, for the Winter 2020 term a mandatory credit/no credit evaluation scheme replaces letter grades in Osgoode Hall Law School Juris Doctor (JD) courses.

### Explanatory Note to Winter 2021 and Winter 2022 Grades

Due to the adverse impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on student well-being, Osgoode Hall Law School JD students had the option, after the release of grades, to apply to receive a credit/no credit notation to replace a single grade, arising from any course, seminar or program that was substantially delivered in the Winter 2021 and Winter 2022 terms and not otherwise assessed on a credit/no credit basis. Applications were assessed on medical, compassionate or equitable grounds and approved by the Associate Deans and/or the Assistant Dean or other decanal designate. This policy was made available to recognize the disproportionate hardship that many students experienced as a result of the pandemic.