EXPLANATION OF GRAding SYSTEM

Beginning September 2015 to date

**HONORS** Performance in the course demonstrates superior mastery of the subject.

**PASS** Successful performance in the course.

**LOW PASS** Performance in the course is below the level that on average is required for the award of a degree.

**CREDIT** The course has been completed satisfactorily without further specification of level of performance. All first-term required courses are offered only on a credit-fail basis. Certain advanced courses are offered only on a credit-fail basis.

**FAILURE** No credit is given for the course.

**CRG** Credit for work completed at another school as part of an approved joint-degree program; counts toward the graded unit requirement.

**RC** Requirement completed; indicates J.D. participation in Moot Court or Barrister’s Union.

**TG** Transfer credit for work completed at another law school; counts toward graded unit requirement.

**EXT** In-progress work for which an extension has been approved.

**INC** Late work for which no extension has been approved.

**NCR** No credit given because of late withdrawal from course or other reason noted in term comments.

Our current grading system does not allow the computation of grade point averages. Individual class rank is not computed. There is no required curve for grades in Yale Law School classes.

Classes matriculating September 1968 through September 1986 must have successfully completed 81 semester hours of credit for the J.D. (Juris Doctor) degree. Classes matriculating September 1987 through September 2004 must have successfully completed 82 credits for the J.D. degree. Classes matriculating September 2005 to date must have successfully completed 83 credits for the J.D. degree. A student must have completed 24 semester hours for the LL.M. (Master of Laws) degree and 27 semester hours for the M.S.L. (Master of Studies in Law) degree. The J.S.D. (Doctor of the Science of Law) degree is awarded upon approval of a thesis that is a substantial contribution to legal scholarship.

### For Classes Matriculating 1843 through September 1950
- 80 through 100 = Excellent
- 73 through 79 = Good
- 65 through 72 = Satisfactory
- 55 through 64 = Lowest passing grade
- 0 through 54 = Failure

To graduate, a student must have attained a weighted grade of at least 65.

**H** = Work done in this course is significantly superior to the average level of performance in the School.

**P** = Successful performance of the work in the course.

**LP** = Work done in the course is below the level of performance which on the average is required for the award of a degree.

### For Classes Matriculating September 1951 through September 1955
- A = Excellent
- B+ = Superior
- C = Satisfactory
- D = Lowest passing grade
- F = Failure

To graduate, a student must have attained a weighted grade of at least Satisfactory.

**E** = Excellent

**G** = Good

**S** = Satisfactory

**F** = Failure

### For Classes Matriculating September 1956 through September 1958
- A = Excellent
- B+ = Superior
- C = Satisfactory
- D = Lowest passing grade
- F = Failure

To graduate, a student must have attained a weighted grade of at least D.

### From September 1959 through June 1968
- A = Excellent
- B+ = Degrees of Superior
- C+ = Degrees of Satisfactory
- C- = Degrees of Unsatisfactory
- D = Lowest passing grade
- F = Failure

To graduate a student must have attained a weighted grade of at least D.

### From September 1968 through June 2015
- CR = Grade which indicates the course has been completed satisfactorily without further specification of level of performance. All first-term required courses are offered only on a credit-fail basis. Certain advanced courses offered only on a credit-fail basis.
- CRG = Credit for work completed at another school as part of an approved joint-degree program; counts toward the graded unit requirement.
- EXT = In-progress work for which an extension has been approved.
- INC = Late work for which no extension has been approved.
- NCR = No credit given for late withdrawal from course or for reasons noted in term comments.

* Provisional grade.