



ACADEMIC RANKINGS
CLASSES OF 2011 and 2012

June 18, 2009

St. Mary's University School of Law has a tradition of strict grading. The faculty prohibits awarding the grades of A, A- and B+ to more than 20% of the students in a first-year course. Because of this limit and because we do not give A+s, few students can maintain an A average. Our grading scheme is described below.

Letter-Grade System	Grading Regulations
A 4.00	The median grade in all first-year courses must be a C+.
A- 3.67	
B+ 3.33	No less than 10% and no more than 20% of the grades must be A's, A-'s or B+'s.
B 3.00	
B- 2.67	No fewer than 10% and no more than 20% of the grades must be C-'s, D's, or F's.
C+ 2.33	
C 2.00	
C- 1.67	
D 1.33	
F 0.00	

Listed below are the percentile rankings for the Classes of 2011 and 2012. The list includes cumulative grade-point averages earned through the spring semester of 2009. Also listed is the letter grade equivalent of each average. A total of 309 students were included in the calculations.

<u>PERCENTILES</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Grade</u>
2%	3.67	A-
5%	3.38	B+
10%	3.11	B
15%	3.02	B
20%	2.95	B-
25%	2.87	B-
33%	2.74	B-
40%	2.65	C+
MEDIAN	2.54	C+