

Basic Information for Students about "Standing" and Supplemental Examinations Faculty of Law, University of Victoria

Under the regulations of the Faculty of Law, to achieve standing in any given year of the JD and the Joint JD/JID program (i.e. to "pass" the year), a student must have a GPA of at least 3.0 (C+ average). A student must pass each year (i.e. first year, second year and third year) of the program in order to graduate. First year consists of all of the mandatory courses and in each of second and third years, a student must complete a minimum of 14.5 units of coursework. The minimum 14.5 units in each of second and third year includes the mandatory course(s).

Standing is assessed at the end of each year of the student's program (i.e. first year, second year and third year). At that point, if the student has not met the above requirements, and if his or her GPA for that year is at least 2.0, he or she will be eligible to write up to two supplemental examinations in an attempt to meet the "pass" standards.

A student with a yearly GPA below 2.0 or who has more than 2 "F" grades for that year is not eligible to write supplemental examinations. In that case the student has failed the year and may apply to the Faculty for special permission to "repeat the year". Such permission is discretionary, and each case is assessed individually.

Students who are eligible to write supplemental examinations m