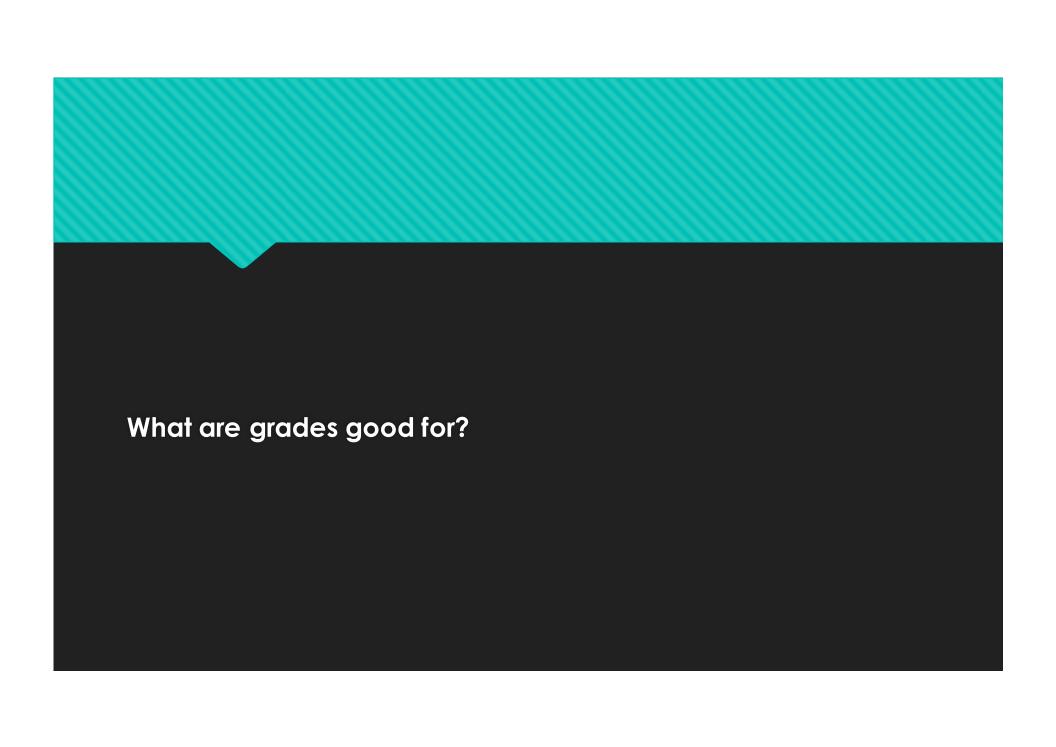
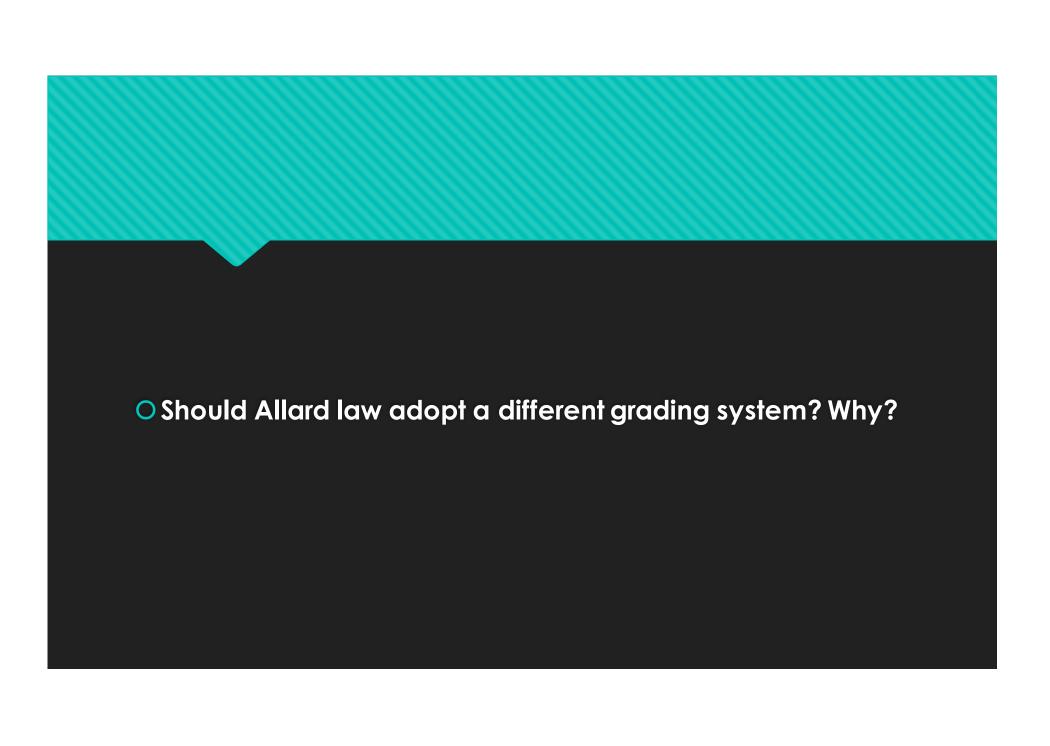
# Allard Law Grading Rules





#### University of British Columbia (101) Numerical 100% 0 University of Saskatchewan (13) A+ B+ В B-C D+ Thompson Rivers University (12) D B+ В B-A+ C+ D+ University of Victoria (10) B-**A**+ Α В F **A**-B+ University of Toronto (5) HH Н LP PWM

## Mandatory averages large/exam/first year classes

University of British Columbia	70-75% (mean)*
University of Ottawa	70-74% (mean)
Western University	74-76% (mean)
Dalhousie University	70-72% (median)
Thompson Rivers University	B (median)

\*UBC allows the mean to vary depending on the size of the class; i.e. under 21 students: 70-79%; 21-39 students: 70-76%; 40-49 students: 70-75%

#### Grade distribution

University of Manitoba	required	
A to A+	10-20%	
B to B+	40-55%	
C+, C, D, F	25-40%	

University of Toronto	guidelines
High Honours	~ 15%
Honours	~ 30%
Pass with Merit	~ 55%
Low Pass	< 5%
Fail	Extremely rare

Dalhousie	required	
Α	10-20%	
В	40-60%	
С	15-25%	
D	0-15%	
F	0-5%	

### **Grade Distribution**

O University of Victoria, University of Toronto and McGill reject mandatory grade distributions

## Grade distribution at UBC: what we say and what we actually do

University of British Columbia	Guidelines	Actual 1L 2015-16	Actual 2L 2015-16	Actual 3L 2015-16
A+, A, A-	10-15%	3%	6%	8%
B+, B, B-	50-60%	88%	90%	87%
C+, C, C-	20-30%	8%	4%	4%
D*	5-10%	1%	0%	0%
F	1-5 / 0-3	1%	1%	1%

<sup>\*</sup>although not mandatory, these distributional guidelines are much more severe than those at any other Canadian law school, requiring a stipulated % of D's (and Fs in 1st year and a large number of grades below B-(25-40) than any law school except University of Manitoba.

### What positions should the ALSS advocate for?

- 1. Should the Allard School of Law consider changing its numerical grades with a different grading system?
- 2. What GPA calculation system should be adopted in an alternate system
- 3. Should the allowable Grade ranges for classes with different enrolments be changed?
- 4. Should the faculty continue to have grade distribution guidelines?