Appendix D

Grading Policy for Fall 2020 Semester

In light of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic and widespread challenges resulting from ExamSoft implementation, the following rules apply, and any conflicting provisions of these Academic Regulations are waived, for the Fall 2020 semester only:

- All graded courses (including classes, clinics, seminars, externships and directed studies) that involved the use of ExamSoft for purposes of any portion of assessment will be graded on an optional pass/no credit basis.
- This Appendix D does not apply to any graded course (including classes, clinics, seminars, externships and directed studies) that did not involve the use of ExamSoft for purposes of any portion of assessment.
- The determination of “pass” for J.D. students for courses subject to this Appendix D for Fall 2020 will be made on the basis of a letter grade of “D” or above. Faculty will determine letter grades and report those letter grades to the Law School Registrar in accordance with their normal grading practices.
- Students who elect to take a “pass” under this Appendix D instead of a letter grade for a course must affirmatively notify the Law School Records Office (by email to lawrecords@wayne.edu from the student’s Wayne State University email account) within 48 hours after the Law School Records Office posts to Canvas the letter grades for the course at issue. Any pass/no credit elections made by a student before the adoption of this Appendix D for any Fall 2020 course subject to this Appendix D will be disregarded. The adoption of pass/no credit grading for the Fall 2020 semester for courses subject to this Appendix D will not reduce the total of four pass/no credit elections available to students under V.F.2. of the Academic Regulations. Students in future semesters will still be subject to the limitations under V.F.2. of no more than one pass/no credit election per semester.
- A student who receives “No Credit” for a Fall 2020 required course (all first-year courses and Professional Responsibility) will be treated as having received an “F” for purposes of eligibility to re-test in that course under IV.F.2. of the Academic Regulations.
- Any student currently on academic probation will be given an additional semester to raise that student's cumulative GPA under I.J.2. of the Academic Regulations.