

## UCalgary Law – GPA FAQs

The information provided here is for reference only, if you wish to estimate your GPA. The Student Services office will not fulfill requests to calculate and/or confirm your GPA.

### GPA Conversion Table

4.0 Scale	Letter Grade	4.33 Scale	Percentage*	9 Point Scale **
4.00	A+	4.33		
4.00	A	4.00	98% - 100%	9.0
3.90			91% - 97%	
3.80			81% - 90%	
3.70	A-	3.70	80%	8.0
3.30	B+	3.30	76%	7.0
3.00	B	3.00	73%	
2.70	B-	2.70	70%	6.0
2.30	C+	2.30	66%	
2.00	C	2.00	63%	5.0
1.70	C-	1.70	60%	
1.30	D+	1.30	54%	4.0
1.00	D	1.00	50%	
0.00	F	0.00	≤40%	≤3.0

\*Not used if a letter grade is available

\*\*Not used if a letter or % grade is available

### Which grades will be used in the GPA?

Your GPA will be based on the last 20 half courses of your undergraduate studies, up to December 31 of the year you submit your application.

### How do I determine my last 20 half courses?

To calculate your GPA:

1. Start counting with the undergraduate course you most recently completed, up to December 31 of the year you submit your application.
2. Count out 20 half courses, in reverse chronological order. A full course is counted as two half courses.
3. Semesters are not broken up, so use all of the grades from the semester that contains the 20<sup>th</sup> half course you counted. This means that you may have slightly more than 20 half courses in your GPA.

**What is a half course?**

A half course is typically one semester in length, or 3 units (credits). Some schools may use a different credit system, e.g. where half courses are assigned 0.5 or 1.0 credits.

**Will grades from my master's/PhD/diploma/certificate/continuing education program be included in the GPA?**

No, only undergraduate courses completed either through a bachelor's degree program or open studies may be used in the GPA calculation. Continuing education, diploma, certificate, and graduate courses cannot be used in the GPA calculation.

While they will not be used in the GPA itself, grades obtained from non-undergraduate courses will still be viewed on your transcripts.

**Will a GPA be calculated for an international bachelor's degree?**

With the exception of undergraduate work completed in the US, GPAs will not be calculated for international bachelor's degrees; grades will instead be viewed solely on your transcript.

**Are grades from an international exchange used in the GPA?**

With the exception of undergraduate work completed in the US, grades from an international exchange will not be used in your GPA. Please note that we will still need a transcript that shows the courses and grades you received during the exchange.

**How about Study Abroad courses?**

If the course was offered by your home institution, and not by an exchange partner institution, then it is eligible for use in your GPA.

**Are courses with grades of "pass" or "credit" be used in the GPA?**

No, we will skip over "pass" and "credit" notations and keep counting.

**What if I repeated a course?**

How a repeated course is used in the GPA depends on whether both or only one of the grades falls within the last 20 half courses:

- If both fall within the last 20 half courses, only the highest grade will be used in the GPA
- If one of the courses fall within the last 20 half courses, we use that grade and disregard the grade that falls outside the last 20 half courses

**What if I attended multiple schools?**

We will look at all of your transcripts to determine which undergraduate courses fall within your last 20 half courses, so your GPA may include undergraduate courses from multiple post-secondary institutions.

**Can spring/summer courses be included in the GPA?**

Yes, as long as they are undergraduate courses and are completed before December 31 of the year you submit your application.

**What if I returned to school for another bachelor's degree, or took more undergraduate courses after I graduated?**

We use your last 20 undergraduate half courses in your GPA, even if you took them in open studies after graduating, or went back for another bachelor's degree. In fact, this is exactly what we recommend doing if you want to raise your GPA.

**How can I raise my GPA?**

To raise your GPA, you need to take more undergraduate courses, either through another bachelor's degree program or open studies. Courses must be completed no later than December 31 of the year you submit your application to be considered.

Please note that continuing education, diploma, certificate, and graduate courses cannot be used in the GPA calculation.