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GRADUATION AND GRADUATION HONORS

Graduation

Commencement exercises at the Law School are "uncertified," meaning that commencement is held and students are allowed to participate in the ceremony prior to having been certified as having passed all courses. Faculty are generally required to certify graduating seniors no later than the Wednesday of the week following the last day of final exams.

Juris Doctor Graduation Honors

To be eligible to receive the honors designation of cum laude on the diploma, the student must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.4 but less than 3.6 for all law school credit received.

To be eligible to receive an honors designation of magna cum laude on the diploma, the student must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.6 but lower than 3.8 for all hours of law school credit received.

To be eligible to receive an honors designation of summa cum laude on the diploma, the student must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.8 for all hours of law school credit received.

A student who meets the above requirements shall receive the appropriate honors designation only if the faculty determines that the student has made meaningful contributions to the Law School program and that the student is worthy of such distinction in accordance with the traditions, expectations and mission of Baylor Law School.

Graduation quarter examination grades are not available at the time of graduation; therefore, notation of honors on the graduation program only will be made on the basis of all credit hours completed through the student's quarter of enrollment next preceding the quarter of graduation. The notation of honors on the student's diploma and final transcript will be made on the basis of all hours completed.