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Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

First-Time Bar Passage

Calendar year of graduation	Graduates in the calendar year	Graduates who took the bar exam before graduation*	Graduates who took bar exam after graduation*	who	Grads with no bar info	First time takers from prior grad years	Total first- time takers	Total who passed the bar	Law school bar passage rate**	ABA weighted average bar pass rate***	in bar pass	Graduates admitted via alternative pathways to licensure	Total First- Time Bar Passage Rate: first time takers and alternative pathways to licensure
2023	113	12	86	8	7	17	115	73	63.48%	73.12%	-9.64%	0	63.48%
2022	160	-	-	33	9	22	140	75	53.57%	69.09%	-15.52%	0	53.57%
2021	161	-	-	24	19	26	144	85	59.03%	71.93%	-12.90%	0	59.03%

*For 2022 and 2021, the ABA did not collect information about "graduates who took the bar exam before graduation" and "graduates who took the bar exam after graduation" as it does currently, so those data fields are not included in this report.

**Law School pass rate is how the Law School's graduates performed across all jurisdictions where they took the bar examination for the first time.

***The ABA weighted average bar pass rate is the average pass rate for graduates from ABA-accredited law schools for each jurisdiction in which the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam. This number is weighted so that bar pass rates from jurisdictions where more of the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam have a greater impact on the ABA weighted average bar pass rate than bar pass rates from jurisdictions where fewer of the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam.

****The difference between the Law School pass rate and the ABA weighted average bar pass rate compares the performance of the Law School's graduates on the bar exam in all jurisdictions where they took the bar exam for the first time with the performance of graduates from all ABA-accredited law schools on the bar exam in those same jurisdictions.

Details 2023:

Details 2022:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
VERMONT	33	20	60.61%	67.69%	-7.08%
51 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	82	53	64.63%	74.25%	-9.62%

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
NEW YORK	17	9	52.94%	82.69%	-29.75%
VERMONT	52	28	53.85%	57.69%	-3.84%
28 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	71	38	53.52%	74.69%	-21.17%

Details 2021:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
VERMONT	54	30	55.56%	62.40%	-6.84%
NEW YORK	15	9	60.00%	86.19%	-26.19%
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	12	7	58.33%	80.57%	-22.24%
22 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	63	39	61.90%	75.55%	-13.65%

Two-Year Ultimate Bar Passage

Calendar year of graduation	Total graduates in calendar year	# of grads with no info	# who did not take a bar	Graduates who sat for a bar exam within two years of their date of graduation			Graduates who have been admitted via an alternative pathway to licensure	Ultimate Bar Passage Rate Total % (incl. alternative pathways)
				#	#	%		
				of takers	who passed	who passed		
2021	162	10	11	141	106	75.18%	0	75.18%
2020	145	3	18	124	95	76.61%	6	77.69%
2019 *	121	3	4	114	77	67.54%	0	67.54%

* ABA Standard 316 requires that "at least 75 percent of a law school's graduates in a calendar year who sat for a bar examination must have passed a bar examination within two years of their date of graduation." This Law School was not in compliance with this Standard in this year.