Phone: (515) 271-2824

Website: www.drake.edu/law



AMERICAN**BAR**ASSOCIATION

Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

First-Time Bar Passage

Calendar year of graduation	Graduates in the calendar year	who took the bar exam	Graduates who took bar exam after graduation	not	with	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	107	0	88	19	0	8	96	87	90.63%	85.07%	5.56%	0	90.63%
2022	96	-	-	12	0	19	103	91	88.35%	81.67%	6.68%	0	88.35%
2021	101	-	-	23	0	24	102	81	79.41%	74.29%	5.12%	0	79.41%

^{*}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.

Details 2023:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference	
IOWA	83	76	91.57%	86.17%	5.40%	
9 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	13	11	84.62%	77.70%	6.92%	

Details 2022:

Jurisdiction	Takers Passers		Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
IOWA	84	76	90.48%	83.16%	7.32%
14 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	19	15	78.95%	74.23%	4.72%

Details 2021:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
IOWA	89	69	77.53%	73.73%	3.80%
8 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	13	12	92.31%	78.01%	14.30%

Two-Year Ultimate Bar Passage

Calendar year of graduation	Total # of grads graduates in calendar year		# who did not take a bar		ho sat for a bar of their date of		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	101	0	5	96	88	91.67%	0	91.67%	
2020	97	0	3	94	86	91.49%	0	91.49%	
2019	100	0	1	99	89	89.90%	0	89.90%	

^{**}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.