

# The Thurgood Marshall School of Law Empirical Findings: A Report of the Bar Passing Percentages of Years 2005-2009

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Subject: Report of Bar Passing Percentages of Years 2005-2009

The following report of descriptive statistics gives the passing percentages of the Bar examination for the Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) for the calendar years of 2005-2009. A Five Year Analysis is given for the entire period, followed by a Three Year Analysis of years 2005-2007, 2006-2008, and 2007-2009. In addition, an Annual Analysis of the same data is given.

Data collection and analysis for this report was as follows: Step 1) Student data on the Bar Examination was entered into the University Database by the TMSL Registrar and a query was ran from BANNER giving Name, PASS/FAIL information, and date each student took the Bar from 2005-2009. Step 2) A separate spreadsheet was created containing only pertinent information for the Five Year Study (Passing Score, Year). Step 3) Students were labeled in the spreadsheet created (referred in step 2) according to the year and semester they graduated and then either a P – Passing score on the Bar Examination (675 and above), F – Failing the Bar Examination (674 and below), and U – Unknown status of student Bar Examination Outcome (may not have taken, out of state non reporting, etc.) Step 4) the spreadsheet was given to the Asst. Dean of Academic Support and Out of State Bar examinees Pass/Fail information was included after personal contact and official documentation. Step 5) the spreadsheet was given back to Program Coordinator and a statistical analysis was done using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS version 17) and all data was reported in its original format.

Furthermore, short summaries are given on each data page to further highlight the information given and to specifically address the question of percentage passing rate and percentage of reporting Pass/Fail.

CC: Registrar

Asst. Dean of Academic Support

# **TMSL Five Year Analysis**

## **Bar Statistics 2005-2009**

Ŧ	-	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)	TERM
N	Valid	917	917	917
	Missing	0	0	0

### YEARS 2005-2009

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Year	2005	148	16.1	16.1	16.1
	2006	197	21.5	21.5	37.6
	2007	201	21.9	21.9	59.5
	2008	204	22.2	22.2	81.8
	2009	167	18.2	18.2	100.0
	Total	917	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Scores	F	158	17.2	17.2	17.2
	Р	684	74.6	74.6	91.8
	U	75	8.2	8.2	100.0
	Total	917	100.0	100.0	

Summary: 917 students were reported for the 5-Year period 2005-2009. 842 were reported Pass/Fail (91.8%), with 75 Unknown. A cumulative passing rate of 74.6% for 2005-2009 is reported.

# **TMSL Three Year Analysis**

## **Bar Statistics 2005-2007**

Ŧ	-	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)	TERM
N	- Valid	546	546	546
	Missing	0	0	0

#### YEARS 2005-2007

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Year	2005	148	27.1	27.1	27.1
	2006	197	36.1	36.1	63.2
	2007	201	36.8	36.8	100.0
	Total	546	100.0	100.0	

#### P/F/U (Bar)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Scores	F	76	13.9	12.0	12.0
	Р	416	76.2	76.2	90.1
	U	54	9.9	9.9	100.0
	Total	546	100.0	100.0	

Summary: 546 students were reported for the 3-Year period 2005-2007. 492 were reported Pass/Fail (90.1%), with 54 Unknown. A cumulative passing rate of 76.2% for 2005-2007 is reported.

## **Bar Statistics 2006-2008**

	<u>-</u>	YEAR	TERM	P/F/U (Bar)
N	- Valid	602	602	602
	Missing	0	0	0

#### **YEARS 2006-2008**

	_	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Year	2006	197	32.7	32.7	32.7
	2007	201	33.4	33.4	66.1
	2008	204	33.9	33.9	100.0
	Total	602	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

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	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Scores	F	98	16.3	16.3	16.3	
	Р	454	75.4	75.4	91.7	
	U	50	8.3	8.3	100.0	
	Total	602	100.0	100.0		

Summary: 602 students were reported for the 3-Year period 2006-2008. 552 were reported Pass/Fail (91.7%), with 50 Unknown. A cumulative passing rate of 75.4% is reported for 2006-2008.

## **Bar Statistics 2007-2009**

	-	TERM	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)
N	Valid	572	572	572
	Missing	0	0	0

#### **YEARS 2007-2009**

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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent
Year	2007	201	35.1	35.1	35.1
	2008	204	35.7	35.7	70.8
	2009	167	29.2	29.2	100.0
	Total	572	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Scores	F	110	19.2	10.2	10.2	
	Р	420	73.4	73.4	92.7	
	U	42	7.3	7.3	100.0	
	Total	572	100.0	100.0		

Summary: 572 students were reported for the 3-Year period 2007-2009. 530 were reported Pass/Fail (92.7%), with 42 Unknown. A cumulative passing rate of 73.4% is reported for the years 2007-2009.

# **TMSL Annual Analysis**

## **Bar Statistics 2005**

	-	TERM	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)
N	2005	147	147	147
	Missing	0	0	0

#### **TERMS**

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Terms	2nd Summer 2005	2	1.4	1.4	1.4
	Fall 2005	23	15.6	15.6	17.0
	Spring 2005	122	83.0	83.0	100.0
	Total	147	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Scores	F	16	10.9	10.9	10.9
	Р	121	82.3	82.3	93.2
	U	10	6.8	6.8	100.0
	Total	147	100.0	100.0	

Summary: 147 students were reported for the 2005 Calendar Year. 137 were reported Pass/Fail (93.2%), with 10 Unknown. A passing rate of 82.3% is reported for the 2005 Calendar Year.

T	-	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)	TERM
N	2006	197	197	197
	Missing	0	0	0

#### **TERMS**

	_	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
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Terms	2nd Summer 2006	4	2.0	2.0	2.0
	Fall 2006	22	11.2	11.2	13.2
	Spring 2006	171	86.8	86.8	100.0
	Total	197	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Scores	F	32	16.2	16,2	16.2
	Р	143	72.6	72.6	88.8
	U	22	11.2	11.2	100.0
	Total	197	100.0	100.0	

Summary: 197 students were reported for the 2006 Calendar Year. 175 were reported Pass/Fail (88.8%), with 10 Unknown. A passing rate of 72.6% is reported for the 2006 Calendar Year.

	Ī	TERM	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)
N	Valid	201	201	201
	Missing	0	0	0

#### **TERM**

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Terms	2nd Summer 2007	1	.5	.5	.5
	Fall 2007	19	9.5	9.5	10.0
	Spring 2007	181	90.0	90.0	100.0
	Total	201	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Scores	F	28	13.9	13.9	13.9
	Р	152	75.6	75.6	89.6
	U	21	10.4	10.4	100.0
	Total	201	100.0	100.0	

Summary: 201 students were reported for the 2007 Calendar Year. 180 were reported Pass/Fail (89.6%), with 21 Unknown. A passing rate of 75.6% is reported for the 2007 Calendar Year.

	-	TERM	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)
N	Valid	204	204	204
	Missing	0	0	0

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		Fraguancy	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
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Terms	2nd Summer 2008	5	2.5	2.5	2.5
	Fall 2008	25	12.3	12.3	14.7
	Spring 2008	174	85.3	85.3	100.0
	Total	204	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Scores	F	38	18.6	18.6	18.6	
	Р	159	77.9	77.9	96.6	
	U	7	3.4	3.4	100.0	
	Total	204	100.0	100.0		

Summary: 204 students were reported for the 2008 Calendar Year. 197 were reported Pass/Fail (96.6%), with 7 Unknown. A passing rate of 77.9% is reported for the 2008 Calendar Year.

	•	TERM	YEAR	P/F/U (Bar)
N	Valid	167	167	167
	Missing	0	0	0

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Terms	2nd Summer 2009	Frequency 2	1.2	1.2	1.2
	Spring 2009	165	98.8	98.8	100.0
	**Total	167	100.0	100.0	

## P/F/U (Bar)

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Scores	F	44	26.3	26.3	26.3	
	Р	109	65.3	65.3	91.6	
	U	14	8.4	8.4	100.0	
	Total	167	100.0	100.0		

Summary: 167 students were reported for the 2009 Calendar Year. 153 were reported Pass/Fail (91.6%), with 14 Unknown. A passing rate of 65.3% is reported for the 2009 Calendar Year.

\*\*All 21 Students for the Fall of 2009 have been removed from report due to the inability to report Pass/Fail/Unknown status.