



University
of Windsor

SENATE POLICY

Policy on Tabula Rasa for Liberal Arts and Professional Studies

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Tabula rasa is Latin for “blank slate.” It is granted to all University of Windsor students who transfer into the FAHSS Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LAPS) program from another University of Windsor program.

When tabula rasa is granted, all courses taken remain on the student’s transcript; however, grades below 50% received prior to the granting of Tabula Rasa are removed from the calculation of the student’s cumulative average. This allows LAPS majors to retain credit for the courses they have passed while leaving behind the baggage of unsatisfactory work. Students are not eligible to receive tabula rasa more than once.

Students granted tabula rasa who subsequently transfer out of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies are subject to the usual rules for calculating averages in their new program, including the counting of all grades below 50% in the new average calculations.

Students granted tabula rasa are expected to enroll in 01-01-220, Investigating the Contemporary World, if this is recommended by their academic advisor.