

Graduate Tax Program (LLM in Tax) – Grading Rubric
University of San Francisco School of Law

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES	Outstanding 4	Satisfactory 3	Limited 2	Unsatisfactory 1	Rating
Apply substantive and procedural tax law from state, federal or international jurisdictions.					
Research and resolve tax law problems using legal sources					
Analyze and assess tax law problems using the IRAC method					
Effectively communicate advanced tax law topics to appropriate audiences in written form.	Outstanding content that clearly presents, in an organized and persuasive manner, solutions to problems using proper sources and conventions and correct terms of art.	Satisfactory content that presents, in an organized and persuasive manner, solutions to problems using some good sources and mostly appropriate conventions and terms of art.	Content that presents solutions with some but not enough appropriate conventions and terms of art.	Content that does not solve problems, use any sources, or convey understanding of how to use correct sources, conventions and terms of art.	
Applies principles of professional responsibility and ethics to resolution of tax problems.					
TOTAL					

*Some items are based on rubrics used by programs at San Francisco State University to evaluate e-portfolios.