

Exception to UNC Charlotte Academic Policy and Procedure: Grading

Exception to Allow Students to Choose Grading Options for Courses in their Spring 2020 Schedule

As of March 26, 2020, and as a result of the COVID-19 impact, UNC Charlotte has expanded its grading options for both undergraduate and graduate students, allowing them to decide for each course in their Spring 2020 schedule how the course will be graded according to the options described below.

Once a course is completed and a letter grade assigned, **undergraduate students** may choose to have the Pass/No Credit grading option replace a letter grade in any of their Spring 2020 registered courses which are currently designated to receive a standard letter grade. For the purposes of this accommodation, a grade of Pass (P) will equate to a standard letter grade of A, B, C, or D. Likewise, a grade of No Credit (N) will equate to a standard grade of F. A grade of Pass (P) will be sufficient to meet the required prerequisite threshold for any future courses and will be allowed to meet progression in the student's major, minor, and general education requirements. Students enrolled in professional school programs should consult with their advisors or program directors regarding licensure or accreditation requirements. Courses selected for Pass/No Credit in Spring 2020 will be excluded from the maximum four attempts stated in the Catalog and will have no impact on the student's GPA.

Graduate students may choose to have the Pass/Unsatisfactory grading option replace a letter grade in any of their Spring 2020 registered courses which are currently designated to receive a standard letter grade. For the purposes of this accommodation, a grade of Pass (P) will equate to a standard letter grade of A, B, or C. Likewise, a grade of Unsatisfactory (U) will equate to a standard grade of U and will impact the student's GPA. A grade of Pass (P) will be sufficient to meet the student's program progression requirements, but will not impact the student's GPA. Courses selected for Pass/Unsatisfactory in Spring 2020 will be excluded from the maximum two attempts stated in the catalog.

Students, both undergraduate and graduate, will have until **June 1, 2020** to select this alternative grading method. It is strongly encouraged that students consult with their advisor, program coordinator, department chair, or college dean if there is any concern about how this decision could impact future study, professional school admission, or licensure.

Requests for either a Pass/No Credit or Pass/Unsatisfactory accommodation will be submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The Office of the Registrar is working on a method of collecting these requests and will share information as soon as it is developed.

No changes have been made to the duration in which an incomplete (I) grade can be assigned a standard letter grade before it converts to an F or U grade. Students will continue to have twelve months to complete the requirements associated with an incomplete grade.

In addition to providing grading accommodations, UNC Charlotte has expanded its withdrawal practices to allow students to withdraw with extenuating circumstances if their course(s) were impacted as a result of COVID-19. Course withdrawals for this reason will not count against any institutional limits. No additional documentation will be necessary.