

Understanding Grading for Undergraduate Students

Students will have until April 27th to decide what type of grading they want to have: Standard letter grade or Credit/Credit D/No Credit.

- Students must go into self-service banner and select whether they want the standard grade or the CR/NC grade.
- They can go in and change their minds at any time up until April 27th.
- Note: 7B classes will have the same end date as the 15 week classes for this spring semester only.
- Grading will not become available to faculty until after April 27th.

How does CR grading affect majors that require a C or better to move forward in the curriculum?

- Many Fox majors require a C or better to move forward in their major.
- Students can register for summer and fall classes during priority registration. Students who do this **will NOT be de-enrolled** from classes that require the C even if they earn a CR for their spring course(s). The CR grade will also show this requirement as complete on DARs.
- Prerequisite rules will prevent self-registration in these majors once spring grades are received if the student opts for a CR grade, as it looks for the grade of C or better and CR is equivalent to a C-. Students would then need to see an academic advisor for a prerequisite override to register for their summer/fall 2020 classes.
- **It is in the best interest of all students in these majors to register during Priority registration as there will be a time delay of seeing an advisor and getting the overrides.**
- Students earning a CD or NC grades will be de-enrolled from their major courses that require a C or better over the summer.

What about students that are repeating for a passing or better grade?

- CR grade will replace any grade that is less than a C- in the student's transcript. The lower grade will be taken out of the CGPA and the requirement will be complete.
- A CD grade will only replace a grade of F.
- If a NC grade or CD grade is lower than the original grade earned, the original grade will remain.

Fly in 4 students

- Students will be able to register for fall courses any time before June 1st and still be considered in good standing for Fly in 4.

What if I am a student on Academic Recovery?

- Students are required to have a minimum of 6 credits of standard graded coursework to be eligible to return to the university.

How does the CR grading effect students wishing to progress to graduate, law, or medical school where grades are needed?

- This could be an issue at other schools. Please check with those schools before choosing the CR option.
- **Students who are pursuing a 4+1 degree at Temple** should accept the standard letter grade for their graduate course rather than a CR.

Students that plan to sit for professional certifications/exams:

- Grades needed for Actuarial VEE credits;
 - For the actuarial credential, part of the requirements are VEE (Validation by Educational Experience) credits for Macro & Microeconomics, Corporate Finance, Actuarial Science courses and Mathematical Statistics. A student gets VEE credit in a particular subject by getting **a grade of B- or above in the respective course(s)**.
 - **Students should speak to their Actuarial Faculty members before selecting the CR grading option.**

Will my Veteran benefits cover courses where CR/CD/NC grades are submitted?

- Grades CR, CD, P, F will not impact their benefits. However, grade NC is considered a "*non-punitive grade*"- a grade that does not count as earned credit and not calculated into the grade point average. Since non-punitive grades don't count towards their degree, you may be required to repay any GI Bill money you received for such classes.
- **Veterans should take the standard F grade over the NC grade.**

Will my Employer reimburse me for classes where a CR/CD/NC grade is earned?

- Employer reimbursements often require a grade of B or better.
- A grade of CR will likely not be reimbursed.
- Students should check with their company on what will be reimbursed.

Will I still be eligible for the various Honors and Dean's List?

- Dean's List requires 12 hours of graded (standard) credits to be eligible
- Latin Honors can also be affected by the choice to take CR over a standard grade.
- By not taking grades you may be limiting your eligibility to **gain** entrance into some honor societies

What will happen with scholarships that require a certain GPA if I opted for CR instead of a grade.

- Internally it would have no effect.
- Externally, students could lose that scholarship based on the criteria set. Please check with the organization that gave you the scholarship before choosing non-standard grades.

How does this affect Faculty grading?

- Once students opt for a standard grade or the CR/NC grading options, only those options will be available to the faculty member when they submit grades.