

**CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR  
MANUAL OF ACADEMIC POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

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<b>GRADING SYSTEM</b>	<b>R-24</b>	<b>1 of 2</b>	<b>April 2, 1984</b>

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Purpose & Notes: To establish an approved grading system and to assure the proper use of grades. The grades of WP and WF were deleted May 2, 2017.

<b>“A” Excellent</b>	"A" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 4 grade points for each credit hour.
<b>“B+” Very Good</b>	"B+" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 3.5 grade points for each credit hour.
<b>“B” Good</b>	"B" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 3 grade points for each credit hour.
<b>“C+” Above Average</b>	"C+" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 2.5 grade points for each credit hour.
<b>“C” Average / Fair</b>	"C" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 2 grade points for each credit hour.
<b>“D” Poor, Passing</b>	"D" is used in GPA calculations; earns credit hours; carries a value of 1 grade point for each credit hour.
<b>“F” Failure</b>	"F" is used in GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; carries 0 grade points for each credit hour attempted.
<b>“W” Withdrawn</b>	"W" does not affect GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; generates no grade points.
<b>“AU” Audit</b>	"AU" is not used in GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; generates no grade points.
<b>“P” Pass</b>	"P" does not affect GPA calculations; earns credit hours; generates no grade points.
<b>“I” Incomplete</b>	"I" is used in GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; carries 0 grade points for each credit hour attempted. Defaults to "F" automatically at midterm date of next term.
<b>“FA” Failure for Absences</b>	"FA" is used in GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; carries 0 grade points for each credit hour attempted.
<b>“FD” Failure due to Academic Dishonesty</b>	"FD" is assigned according to the Academic Integrity Policy. "FD" is used in GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; carries 0 grade points for each credit hour attempted.
<b>“AW” Administrative Withdrawal</b>	"AW" is assigned when a student is removed from either a course or the University. "AW" does not affect GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; generates no grade points.

**Supplementary Grading Codes**

Supplementary codes are used for informational purposes only and are not considered to be grades.

<b>“NR” Grade Not Reported</b>	"NR" assigned when a grade is not recorded by instructor. Does not affect GPA calculations; earns no credit hours; generates no quality points.
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**Midterm Grades**

The following grades are to be assigned as midterm grades:

**“A”**  
**“B”**  
**“C”**  
**“D”**  
**“I”**  
**“F”**  
**“W”**  
**“FA”**  
**“FD”**  
**“AW”**

Note: Students in "Pass/Fail" classes may receive grades of "P" (Pass).

### **Final Grades**

The following grades are to be assigned as final grades:

**“A”**  
**“B+”**  
**“B”**  
**“C+”**  
**“C”**  
**“D”**  
**“F”**  
**“W”**  
  
**“I”**  
**“FA”**  
**“FD”**  
**“AU”**  
**“P”**  
**“AW”**

By action of the Curriculum Committee and the Faculty Senate on April 2, 1984, and revisions made on March 25, 2003, November 23, 2004, April 24, 2012 and February 2017 by the Faculty Senate.