

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
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MANUAL OF ACADEMIC POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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GRADING SYSTEM	R-24	1 of 2	April 2, 1984

Purpose: To establish an approved grading system and to ensure the proper use of grades.
Note: Grades **WP** and **WF** were deleted on May 2, 2017.

Letter Grades (Used in GPA Calculations)

Grade	Description	GPA Impact	Credit Hours	Grade Points per Credit
A	Excellent	Yes	Earned	4.0
B+	Very Good	Yes	Earned	3.5
B	Good	Yes	Earned	3.0
C+	Above Average	Yes	Earned	2.5
C	Average / Fair	Yes	Earned	2.0
D	Poor, Passing	Yes	Earned	1.0
F	Failure	Yes	None	0
FA	Failure for Absences	Yes	None	0
FD	Failure – Academic Dishonesty	Yes	None	0

Grades Not Affecting GPA

Grade	Description	GPA Impact	Credit Hours	Notes
W	Withdrawn	No	None	—
AU	Audit	No	None	—
P	Pass	No	Earned	—
I	Incomplete	No	None	Defaults to “F” automatically at midterm of the next term
AW	Administrative Withdrawal	No	None	Assigned when a student is removed from a course or the University

Supplementary Grading Codes:

Used for informational purposes only; **not considered grades**.

Code	Description	GPA Impact	Credit Hours	Notes
NR	Grade Not Reported	No	None	Assigned when an instructor does not submit a grade

Midterm Grades:

The following grades may be assigned as **midterm grades**:

- A, B, C, D, F, I, W, FA, FD, AW
- *Note:* Students in “Pass/Fail” courses may receive a grade of **P** at midterm.

Final Grades:

The following grades may be assigned as **final grades**:

- A, B+, B, C+, C, D, F, W, I, FA, FD, AU, P, AW

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