The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Grading System
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Senate Policy 311.1

The grades awarded by the University are:

A  Excellent, with 4.0 grade points per credit.
AB  Very good, with 3.5 grade points per credit.
B  Good, with 3.0 grade points per credit.
BC  Above average, with 2.5 grade points per credit.
C  Average, with 2.0 grade points per credit.
CD  Below average, with 1.5 grade points per credit.
D  Inferior, with 1.0 grade point per credit.
F  Failure, with 0.0 grade point per credit.
I  Incomplete: not computed in GPA calculation appropriate when:
   • the student has a legitimate extenuating circumstance prohibiting the completion of the course;
   • the student has the ability to complete the course requirements without re-enrolling in the course;
   • the student currently has a passing grade in the course.
Extenuating circumstances may include (but are not limited to):
   • car accident
   • sudden illness or injury (Doctor’s office/hospital documented)
   • birth of a child
   • death of a family member
   • conditions of close friends (suicide, accident/injury)
   • divorce (individual and parental)

An incomplete grade must be made up within 1 semester of being assigned regardless of residency according to the following schedule:
   • assigned fall semester: course must be completed by the end of spring semester;
   • assigned spring semester: course must be completed by the end of fall semester;
   • assigned summer semester: course must be completed by the end of fall semester.
An I grade should not be used as a substitute for a failing grade or a withdrawal.
Failure to complete the coursework within the timeframes defined above will result in the conversion of the I to an F. Incomplete grades at graduation are considered (F) grades in computing the final grade point average.

IS  In-Session; temporary grade indicating a course that remains in session and ends after the semester's final grade deadline.

X  Conditional: computed into the grade point average as an (F) grade given only when the student is at fault in failing to complete a segment of a course, but in the judgment of the instructor does not need to repeat the course. An X is appropriate when:
• the student does not have a legitimate extenuating circumstance for failing to complete course requirements that meets the standards for the I grade (above);
• the student has the ability to complete the course requirements without re-enrolling in the course;
• the student currently has a passing grade in the course.

Example circumstances appropriate for an X grade may include:
• oversleeping on the day of an exam
• flat tire/unexpected car trouble
• incomplete assignments.

X grades must be made up within the next semester according to the same schedule summarized above for the I grade. Failure to complete the course accordingly will result in the conversion of the X grade to an F.

M Missing grade, see instructor for clarification.
N No Grade, No Credit, No Grade Points; given when a student officially withdraws from school after the regular drop period, passing the subject.
P Progress; may be used for 5000 or 6000 series research courses and approved 3000 or 4000 level project courses where projects may carry over for more than one semester.
Q Inadequate Progress; may be used for 5000 or 6000 series research courses and approved 3000 or 4000 level project courses and courses where projects may carry over for more than one semester.
W Drop, No Credit, No Grade Points; given when a student drops a course between the beginning of the fourth week and the end of the tenth week; after the tenth week, a student may request a late drop only from the Dean of Student Affairs.
CR Credit by advanced placement or examination. (Board of Control Policy 13.2)

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