

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

Educational Policy Committee

MEMORANDUM

To: Fort Wayne Senate
From: Educational Policy Committee,
Linda Wright-Bower, Chair
Subject: Amendment of the Academic Regulations (SD 85-18): Plus-Minus Grading
Date: January 14, 1999
Disposition: To the Presiding Officer for implementation

WHEREAS, adoption of plus-minus grading by the Fort Wayne Senate would provide for system-wide use of plus-minus grading; and

WHEREAS, Purdue University West Lafayette, has recently adopted plus-minus grading; and

WHEREAS, the main campus of Indiana University already uses the same grading system; and

WHEREAS, the proposed change would allow faculty to use this tool in the calculation of grades, on a voluntary basis;

RESOLVED, Senate Document SD 85-18 (Academic Regulations) be amended as follows:

Current:

6.2 Semester grades. The following grades may be assigned:

A - Outstanding achievement

Proposed:

6.2 Semester grades. The following grades may be assigned:

A,**A+**,**A-** - Outstanding achievement

B - Above-average achievement

B,**B+**,**B-** - Above-average achievement

C - Average achievement

C,**C+**,**C-** - Average achievement

D - Below-average achievement; lowest passing grade

D,**D+**,**D-** - Below-average achievement; lowest passing grade

Except in the computation of GPA, these grades are referred to simply as A, B, C, or D grades.

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Proposed:

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computed (rounded to two decimal places) as follows:

where NA represents the number of credits assigned the grade of A, NB the number assigned the grade of B, etc.

Grade	Grade Points
A+, A	4.0 x Semester Hours
A-	3.7 x Semester Hours
B+	3.3 x Semester Hours
B	3.0 x Semester Hours
B-	2.7 x Semester Hours
C+	2.3 x Semester Hours
C	2.0 x Semester Hours
C-	1.7 x Semester Hours
D+	1.3 x Semester Hours
D	1.0 x Semester Hours
D-	0.7 x Semester Hours
F, IF	0.0 x Semester Hours
I, NC, NP, P, S, W	0.0 x Semester Hours

1.3 x Semester
Hours
1.0 x Semester
Hours
0.7 x Semester
Hours
0.0 x Semester
Hours
Not Included

The GPA is the sum of the Grade Points for all included courses divided by the total number of hours those courses. The GPA is rounded to two decimal places.