

## Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (Pass/Fail) Grading Option FAQs

- What grade is necessary to earn a Satisfactory and pass a class?
  - “C” or above
- Will a Satisfactory grade fulfill requirements for CORE+?
  - CORE+ - Students will need to be aware that moving to the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option may lead to CORE+ requirements not being satisfied.
    - The Satisfactory grade is equivalent to a “C” or better. However, CORE+ requirements can be satisfied with a “C-” or better. Therefore, a student who is getting a “C-” in a CORE+ requirement course may actually hurt themselves by selecting the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option. This needs to be understood both by the student and advisor prior to a decision being made whether or not to choose Satisfactory or to choose a letter grade for the class.
- Will a Satisfactory grade fulfill requirements for Major/Minor courses?
  - In general a Satisfactory grade fulfills Major and Minor requirements, but students must check with their advisors regarding any specific programmatic requirements.
- What impact does an S/U grade have on a GPA?
  - S/U graded courses are not calculated in a student's GPA, so they have no impact.
- How is athletic eligibility affected?
  - When a grade of Satisfactory (C or better) is awarded, the student has successfully completed the course and earns the hours. As long as those hours were applicable towards the student athlete's degree(s)/major(s)/minor(s), the hours are countable towards their NCAA Athletic Eligibility. “U” grades are calculated in the "credits attempted" category.
- How are scholarships and financial aid impacted?
  - Students' scholarships and financial aid will not be impacted unless a student earns a grade of “U” for all courses in the spring semester.
  - Student concerns or questions regarding their specific situation should be directed to the Office of Financial Aid.