

## Motion to Revise the Pass/Fail Grading Option

### Motion:

The motion regarding Pass/Fail Grading that was passed at the Spring 2007 Senate meeting is repealed.

### Rationale:

During the implementation of the motion passed in Spring 2007, it became apparent that several departments were using S-U grades in ways not authorized by Georgia's State's policies. It is best not to move hastily forward without consulting with the various departments about their use of S-U grades. Admissions and Standards needs more time to consider these factors. We anticipate that a new motion regarding S-U grades will be brought to the first Senate meeting in the fall.

Here is the policy that would be repealed if this motion passes:

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Effective the fall after BOR approval but no earlier than Fall 2008.

Students may enroll in courses taught on a pass/fail (S-U) basis subject to the following conditions:

1. Course taken pass/fail (S-U) will appear on the official transcript with a grade of "S" or "U." These grades do not count in the computation of the grade point average.
2. Credit earned with a grade of S will count *only* toward meeting the 120 hour semester requirement and/or 39 hour academic residence requirement (if not already met through major/dept/college requirements). See Sections 14XX and 14XX of this Catalog. Courses taken pass/fail (S-U) will *not* count toward:
  - a. core curriculum requirements, Areas A-F
  - b. courses required for a major or minor, or
  - c. courses that satisfy department or college requirements.
3. No more than 10 hours of courses taken pass/fail (S-U) may be counted towards an undergraduate degree. Courses taken on a pass/fail (S-U) basis beyond this limit will earn institutional credit but will not count toward graduation.
4. To take courses on a pass/fail (S-U) basis, a student must have a Georgia State University cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5.
5. To take a course on a pass/fail (S-U) basis, the student must meet all prerequisites and all other enrollment restrictions (e.g., GPA requirements, co-requisites, etc.).
6. The request to be graded pass/fail (S-U) in a course must be made before the end of regular registration and, if approved, cannot be changed in any way at any time.

7. Students enrolled in a course on a pass/fail basis must meet all normal course requirements (e.g., attendance, reports, papers, projects, examinations, labs, etc.). It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor by the end of the first week of classes and obtain from the instructor the requirements necessary to earn a grade of S.

8. The normal withdraw policy will apply to courses taken pass/fail (S-U). Students enrolled in a course on a pass/fail (S-U) basis will receive a “WF” if withdrawn from the course after the midpoint of the academic term, subject to the usual exceptions for Hardship Withdrawals. Withdrawals in courses taken pass/fail (S-U) count against a student’s limit of withdrawals with a W just as courses graded A-F do. See Section 13XX of this Catalog.

9. Colleges/departments may decide that certain courses may not be taken on a pass/fail (S-U) basis.

10. This policy applies only to courses that are normally graded on an A-F basis.

11. This motion applies only to undergraduates.