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Temporary Policy for Changing Grades to S/U

All students may elect to switch to S/U grading for their courses during the spring semester up until April 17th.

This grading policy will apply to all undergraduate and graduate coursework, including **USP courses, and not just elective courses.** If you are an undergraduate student, you must consult with and obtain approval of your instructor and academic adviser before making this change. If you are a graduate student, you must consult with and obtain approval of your major professor before making this change. This would be a good item to discuss with your advisor in your upcoming advising appointment. An exception request to change their grading option will be available on the Office of the Registrar's website and should be filled out by student and electronically signed/approved by their advisor or major professor.

Students may change to S/U by filling out an exception request form and getting approval from their instructor and advisor or major professor until April 17th.

Neither S (earned grade of C or better) nor U (earned grade of D or F) will be counted in calculating a student's grade point average (GPA).

Currently, the Department of Education has not provided allowance for students on SAP and Academic Probation/Warning to be given automatic extensions. Scholarships and Financial Aid is working on a process to provide a list of potentially impacted students to Advisors, so they would be able to appropriately relay options and considerations to a student when considering the S/U option.

When a student changes their program or major, any S credits that they have accumulated in the Spring 2020 term will be accepted by the new program. Departments must recognize the extraordinary and unprecedented nature of the Spring 2020 term. Students transferring in with S/U coursework earned during the Spring 2020 term will be accepted by all UW programs for Degree Fulfillment. Students transferring in with S/U coursework earned during the Spring 2020 term will be accepted by all UW programs for Degree Fulfillment provided that the institution they are transferring credits from had a similar policy in place during the Spring 2020 semester.