UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING REGULATIONS

Subject: Authorization for the Use of "S-U" Grades and Confirmation of the Auditing Policy **Number:** UW Regulation 2-106



I. PURPOSE

To establish and clarify the "S-U" grading system.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the intent of the "S-U" grading system and policies of the University to encourage students to take courses in subject matter areas outside their majors and related fields so that their academic experience may be broadened by a freer pursuit of their intellectual interests. It also provides a policy for grading of courses for which the conventional letter grade system is inapplicable. University officers shall make every effort to properly inform all students and personnel of this Regulation.

III. "S-U" GRADES

- A. The grade of "S" shall signify the achievement of an acceptable competence in the subject matter of the course and shall entitle the student to the appropriate credit hours designated for the course. The grade of "U" shall signify an unacceptable level of achievement and shall not entitle the student to credit hours. Neither the "S" nor the "U" grade will carry grade-point designation nor will the credit hours attempted or completed under "S-U" be included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point.
- **B.** The grade of "S" is interpreted to include "A through C–" and the grade of "U" to include "D+ through F" on the conventional grade scale.

IV. CHANGE OF GRADING SYSTEM

Students may change course registration from "S-U" to conventional letter grading and vice versa during the normal drop-add period only.

V. REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Subject to the limitations set out under the authority of this regulation, enrollment for "S-U" will be at the discretion of the student. Instructors shall be notified of the students registered for "S-U." Only students so registered may receive the "S-U" grade.

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VI. AUDITING PRIVILEGE

The privilege of non-credit enrollment in a class is available, upon approval of the adviser and the instructor, to any University student. Though this "auditing" privilege carries full rights of class participation, it offers no academic credit and will result in a grade of "satisfactory" (AU/S) or "unsatisfactory" (AU/U). It is the responsibility of the student to ascertain the requirements for an auditor to receive a satisfactory grade. Auditors are expected to attend class regularly and complete such graded work as required by the instructor. The auditing privilege is subject to the same fee schedule as credit courses. Subsequent credit by special examination is not available.

VII. GENERAL LIMITATIONS

- **A.** No student may use a course taken for "S-U" credit to satisfy all-University academic requirements, except that this provision shall not apply to courses offered for "S-U" only.
- **B.** No student may receive a grade of "S-U" for a course he is repeating unless the original grade was "U," or unless the course is offered for "S-U" only.

VIII. GRADUATE STUDENT LIMITATIONS

Graduate students may take courses for "S-U" grades, but all courses taken to fulfill the requirements of the degree program must be taken for letter grade, except those courses given for "S-U" only.

IX. COLLEGE LIMITATIONS

For publication in UW Regulations and Bulletins, each college shall specify the minimum number of conventionally graded (A-F) course hours necessary to satisfy degree requirements in that college. The hour figures so specified should not include courses offered for "S-U" only or credits earned by examination. Each department shall conform its policy to that of its college and, in addition, shall specify which courses in its required programs may not be taken for "S-U" credit. Otherwise, the student's discretion in, and opportunity for, enrollment for "S-U" grading shall not be limited.

X. ACCEPTANCE PETITIONS

A student who changes majors within a college or transfers from one college to another may petition the new department head or the dean of the new college for the acceptance of "S" credits previously earned where such credits are in conflict with published UW Regulations authorized in Section IX above. Such petitions shall be reviewed under the same principles that are applied in the case of a student who transfers from a college or university other than the University of Wyoming.

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