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S/U GRADING FAQ

Question	Answer	Response
Will S/U grades affect scholarships and/or financial aid?	Possibly	http://www.uwyo.edu/sfa/renew-your-financial-aid/s-u-grading/index.html
Is there a conversion scale that identifies what an "S" corresponds to?	Yes	UW Regulation 2-106 references the S/U grade conversion. S (Satisfactory): Equivalent to a C or better (B or better in courses numbered 5000 or above); U (Unsatisfactory): Equivalent to a D or lower (C or lower in courses numbered 5000 or above); http://www.uwyo.edu/regs-policies/files/docs/regulations-2019/uw_reg_2-106_approved_6-12-19.pdf.
Will international students be allowed to convert to S/U? Are there repercussions if they do so?	Yes	There should not be any problem with international students converting to S/U from the immigration perspective. Our graduate students in thesis and dissertation research already use S/U for those credits. As long as they remain enrolled and participating in the class, and receive a grade (not a W), they are ok. EXCEPTION: students who are sponsored by their home governments may not be allowed to choose S/U. S students sponsored by the Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission, or the Kuwait Cultural Mission, or other potential sponsoring agencies should consult their home sponsor before choosing S/U.
Can students change their minds later and switch back to letter grades?	Office of the Registrar	Students must visit with his/her advisor and discuss all options of A-F and S/U grading before submitting a petition to change to S/U grading. As such, there should not be a need for the student to rescind the petition.
Will a "U" clear a prerequisite or graduation requirement that needs a "D"?	No	For a course which has been changed to S/U grading, the Banner student information system will convert a grade of "D" to a "U," which will not count toward earned hours, graduation requirements, or prerequisites.
If a student is on probation, will they be allowed to continue on probation if they choose S/U?	Yes	Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the academic standing for spring 2020 will remain the same.
What effect will S/U grading have on USP courses?	-	All USP courses will be allowed to accept S/U for the spring 2020 term
Is one form per course required if a student is considering S/U grade?	Yes	One petition per course must be submitted
Will S/U grading affect my GPA?	No	S/U does not calculated into your GPA
Will S/U affect grad school/professional school admission?	Not Likely	Students should consult with their advisor and faculty mentor to determine impact on potential graduate school or profession school admission impacts.
Will there be an Effect on Mechanical Engineering Success Curriculum (MESCC)?	Not Likely	Departments must recognize the extraordinary and unprecedented nature of the Spring 2020 term in degree requirement fulfillment. Students' MESCC GPA will exclude any SU courses taken in this semester. There will also be cases when a college/school or department should follow the guidance and instructions given by accrediting and licensing bodies that is issued in light of the COVID19 situation

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Will there be an effect on Architectural/Civil Engineering Gateway Programs?	Not Likely	Departments must recognize the extraordinary and unprecedented nature of the Spring 2020 term in degree requirement fulfillment. Students will have an alternative pathway created by the department for quality points in satisfying Gateway Requirements. There will also be cases when a college/school or department should follow the guidance and instructions given by accrediting and licensing bodies that is issued in light of the COVID19 situation
Will an "S" be used for a course that is being repeated?	Yes	Banner has the functionality to determine course repeats without any action on behalf of the student
Will the system recognize an S as a C or better so we don't have to do the manual overrides next semester.	Yes	Faculty will maintain regular grading schema. OTR will process the requests.
What is the petition process for the S/U request?	Visit Office of The Registrar Website	1. Student meets with advisor and faculty. 2. Post meeting, student petitions for S/U grade, if agreed to by advisor and faculty. 3. Electronic request for approval/denial sent to advisor. 4. Electronic request for approval/denial sent to faculty (GTA does not have authorization to sign petition). 5. Electronic request for approval/denial sent to registrar. 6. If denied, appropriate AVP will render a final determination.
Can GTAs and temporary lecturers approve S/U grading?	Possibly	Graduate Teaching Assistants and temporary lecturers should contact the Dept Head regarding authority to approve S/U grading.
If a student does get approved for an S/U, does the system automatically show that so the faculty member can just click on the S/U during final grades or does the faculty member have to keep a list of the students who are S/U?	Office of the Registrar	Faculty should maintain regular grading schema. Banner recognizes the grade modes employed and any approvals given to the student during the Spring 2020 semester are handled within the Office of the Registrar.
Can students who were studying abroad and have returned, who are now completing their coursework from the overseas university remotely also receive S/U credit for the courses they are enrolled in this semester?	Yes	Yes. Students will need to submit the S/U grading petition. The Study Abroad Office will approve by signing in place of the instructor on record.

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