GRADING SYSTEM EXPLANATION

Undergraduates & Professionals

- **A**: Highest Level of Attainment
- **B**: High Level of Attainment
- **C**: Adequate Level of Attainment
- **D**: Minimal Passing Level of Attainment
- **F**: Failed - Unacceptable Performance
- **CO**: (Cond) - Conditional
- **IN**: (Inc) - Incomplete
- **AB**: (Abs) - Absent from Exam
- **PA**: Failed - Unacceptable Performance (Absent from exam but could not have passed even if the exam had been taken)

- **PS**: Passing grade for course using Pass/Fail grading (Prior to Fall 1991 PS = D or better; Fall 1991 and subsequent PS = C or better)
- **SP**: Satisfactory Progress (Authorized only for first portion of Honors Program). Prior to second summer session 1995 grade = S

- **F**: Administratively assigned after failure to convert an Incomplete (In) or absence (AB) to a grade within the allowed time. (Commencing with Fall 1978 semester)

Other Grade Symbols

- **NG**: (No Grade) - No grade assigned. Recorded for all "General Registrations" (Course number 400). Also recorded as a notation for failure of Language Reading Exam, for authorized professional school zero credit courses which are not assigned a grade, or Judicial Pending cases.
- **BE**: (By Exam) - Credit by examination without enrollment in the course
- **PL**: (Placement) - Credit based on an examination which places the student in an advanced course
- **W**: Withdrawn without penalty
- **CC**: (Composition Condition) - May be assigned in addition to any regular grade and indicates marked deficiency in English composition.
- *******: (No Report) Class Roll not received.
- **NR**: No grade reported

Graduates

- **H**: High Pass
- **HP**: Above Average**
- **P**: Pass
- **LP**: Below Average**
- **L**: Low Pass
- **F**: Fail
- **S**: Satisfactory Progress on Research Courses, Theses, Dissertations, and non-credit Courses in Foreign Language
- **IN**: (Inc) - Work Incomplete
- **AB**: (Abs) - Absent from final exam
- **NG**: No Grade Assigned

(Note: Graduate students enrolled in courses below 399 should receive undergraduate grades.)

Graduate grades of H, P, and L should not be interpreted as equivalent to undergraduate grades of A, B, and C.

Prior to September 1969, P was the only passing grade for graduate students and covered all standards of excellence.

Grades of HP and LP effective Fall 1997 for Professional Pharmacy students.

The school of Medicine records their own grades and houses the transcripts for students seeking the MD degree effective Spring 1995.

Quality Points and Quality Point Average

Quality Point Average is determined by dividing the sum of quality points by the sum of semester hours. Semester hours with grades (or notations) of NG, NR, PS, SP, BE, PL, W, H, P, and L are ignored in computing averages. Temporary grades of IN (incomplete) and AB (Absent from Exam) are treated as an F (zero grade points) until removed.

Quality point values, per semester hour, are assigned as shown below:

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<th>Grade</th>
<th>Value</th>
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Law School

Effective August 2007:

- **A+**: 4.30
- **A**: 4.00
- **A-**: 3.70

In rare instances, a grade of A+ is awarded in recognition of exceptionally high performance.

Course Numbering System

The numbers assigned to courses are normally categorized as follows:

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<td>050-099</td>
<td>Juniors and Seniors</td>
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<td>100-199</td>
<td>Advanced Undergraduates and Graduate Students</td>
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<td>200-299</td>
<td>Graduate Students only</td>
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<td>300-399</td>
<td>Seminar and Research for Graduate Students</td>
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<td>400-699</td>
<td>Interdisciplinary, Advanced Undergraduate and Graduates</td>
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<td>700-799</td>
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Length of the Year: The year consists of two regular semesters of approximately seventeen weeks and a summer session which is divided into two terms of approximately five and one half weeks each.

Credit Hours: One semester credit is the value of each lecture hour or two to three laboratory hours per week whether or not the course was passed. Prior to September 1, 1953, the year consisted of three regular quarters of approximately twelve weeks each and a summer quarter divided into two terms of approximately six weeks each.

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