

Title: Grading System

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Areas Affected: All BSMSO Faculty & Students

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### **Policy Statement**

Evaluation is a shared responsibility between student and instructor, including self-evaluation. Each course outline contains the course requirements and the criteria for determining the theory and clinical performance grades. Class (theory) grades are earned according to a letter system. Each letter is assigned a grade point value as follows that designates the quality of work done. Final grades are truncated. For example: 79.4 = 79; 79.5 = 79; 79.9 = 79. Student testing within each course will account for 85 percent of the total student grade per course.

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Letter Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Grade Point Interpretation	Value Per Course Credit
A	94-100	Excellent	4.0
B+	90-93	Above Average	3.5
B	87-89		3.0
C+	83-86	Average	2.5
C	80-82		2.0
D	75-79	Unsatisfactory	1.0
F	0-74	Failing	0
I*	---	Incomplete	No Credit
WP*	---	Withdrew Passing	No Credit
WF	---	Withdrew Failing	0
W*	----	Withdrew per policy for new course	0

\*Not tabulated in grade point average.

- Skill and clinical grades are awarded based upon satisfactory or unsatisfactory work.
- The grade point for a course is tabulated by multiplying the total number of course credits by the grade value (see above tables).

Example:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Grade Point</u>
Course 1	3	x	B (3.0) = 9.0
Course 2	4	x	A (4.0) = 16.0
Course 3	<u>3</u>	x	C (2.0) = <u>6.0</u>
Total:	10		31.0

The cumulative grade point average is calculated by dividing the total number of grade points earned by the total number of credits attempted, both at the School of Nursing and at regionally accredited institutions that offer general education credits that the school has approved for transfer.

Example:

$$\text{Total grade points} / \text{Total credit hours} \\ = \text{Cumulative grade point average}$$

A student who receives less than a “C” in a course must repeat the course to meet curriculum requirement. A nursing course may be repeated only once. When a course is repeated, the transcript shows the original and the repeated course grades. Prior to January 1, 2009 the last grade replaced the previous grade in computing the cumulative GPA and was noted by an “R” preceding the grade. The original grade was noted by a <> and is not included in the cumulative GPA. Beginning in January of 2009, both the original and the repeated course grade are used to calculate the cumulative GPA.

**A student who receives an Incomplete (I) will have six (6) weeks to complete course work. If the course work is not completed satisfactorily within 6 weeks the grade will result in a Failure (F). A waiver may be granted for extenuating circumstances.**