

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED Office of the Registrar

Fall 2020 Grade Mode Change

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An exception to the grade mode policy has been approved in response to the unusual and challenging circumstances that students and instructors are presently facing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Full details and latest updates can be found here http://registrar.ucmerced.edu/policies/grades/updates-grading-options

The purpose of this policy is to provide **flexibility to students** during this fall 2020 term as you continue your studies at UC Merced.

Students should consider the following when deciding to change to Pass/No Pass option

- Students should understand the impact of P/NP/S/U courses on GPA.
- Students should understand the potential impacts on "Satisfactory Academic Progress" and financial aid. If a student is receiving financial aid and are currently on a Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeal due to a low cumulative GPA, they are discouraged from electing to change their grading option from a letter grade to P/NP/S/U as it may result in failing to meet the terms of your Appeal.
- Students should understand the consequences that may follow a student throughout their career as subsequent programs, including those outside of our own institution, may require that coursework to be taken for a letter grade.
- A students previous Academic Standing will not be considered.
- Students who exceed the limit on the total number of P/NP/S/U units for completion of a degree can file a petition with their school/program.
- Students are not limited in the number of courses graded as P/NP/S/U and may, according to existing policy, enroll the following term in as many as two courses with P/NP/S/U grading option.
- Undergraduate student may repeat on a P/NP basis a course that was previously taken on a letter-grade basis.

Deadlines -

Undergraduate students - Friday, December 11 at 11:59 PM Pacific Standard Time Graduate Students - Monday, January 4th 2021

Submit the completed form to Office of the Registrar / registrar@ucmerced.edu during normal business hours by the deadline.

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