Pass/Fail Grading (P/Z)

The pass (P) / fail (Z) grading system has been established as a departmental option. This system is reserved for special course offerings where a pass/fail grading system is most appropriate for the goals and objectives of the course.

1. Course prerequisites and other criteria for enrolling in courses offered on the P/Z grading system shall be determined by the department offering the course.

2. Courses using the P/Z grading system will be published as being graded on the P/Z grading system, and the course syllabus shall be explicit regarding this fact.

3. Courses graded on the P/Z system may be counted toward an associate degree or certificate based on approval of the appropriate Dean. A maximum of 10 percent (10%) of the total credits required for a degree or certificate may be acquired on the P/Z system. With departmental approval, the limitation on the use of P/Z course credits for an LCC degree or certificate may be waived when incoming P/Z credits are directly related to the degree or certificate in a course of study.

Grading procedure of the pass/fail system is as follows:

1. Grades on the P/Z system are not included in computing the semester or cumulative grade average.

2. The grades granted on the P/Z system are determined with definitions of "P" and "Z" as follows:
   a. P (pass) represents a level of performance equivalent to a regular number grade of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 system; credit is granted.
   b. ZF (failed – finished) represents a level of performance less than a 2.0 on a 4.0 system when the student attempted the last graded assignment in course; no credit is granted.
   c. ZU (failed – unfinished) represents a level of performance less than a 2.0 on a 4.0 system when the student did not attempt the last graded assignment in course; no credit is granted.

All courses attempted on the P/Z grading system will appear on the student's academic record. Policies pertaining to the issuing of "W" and "I" grades also apply to courses graded on the P/Z system (see Grading System webpage).

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