Pass/No Credit (P/NC) FAQs
Spring 2020

Should I take a class P/NC?
A: Below is a list of questions to consider before you decide to switch to P/NC grading for a class this semester. Please make a virtual appointment with your faculty advisor. You will need your advisor’s approval to make this change, so take advantage of the opportunity to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of switching a class to P/NC grading. This list of questions is a starting point for your discussion, it may not include all the considerations you need to take in deciding whether taking a class P/NC is in your best interest.

Is this class required for your major or minor?
A: While typically no more than one class taken P/NC can count toward a major or minor, your department may make an exception under this semester's circumstances. Check with your academic advisor.

Is this class a required pre-requisite for a graduate or professional program?
A: Under normal circumstances, graduate and professional programs are unlikely to count a P to meet a prerequisite requirement, although accommodations might be made given the national disruption caused by the current pandemic.

Will taking a class P/NC impact my GPA?
A: P/NC grades are not calculated into your GPA. So while switching to a P/NC grade will not hurt your GPA, it will not help it either. This may be important if you are trying to raise your GPA to qualify for an honor society, graduate school, a scholarship, or to transition off academic probation. You should discuss the implications of this change on your GPA with your faculty advisor.

Will taking a class P/NC impact my status as a full-time student?
A: No, you are still registered for the class. When you earn a P you will earn the semester hours for the class.
When is last day to switch and take a class P/NC?
A: Last day of the spring semester, April 10, 2020.

When is the last day to remove a P/NC and receive the grade I earned in the class?
A: Last day of the spring semester, April 10, 2020.

How do I switch to P/NC or back to a grade?
A: Talk to your Faculty Advisor. You must have the approval of your faculty advisor to switch to a P/NC grade or back to a letter grade (if you are already taking a class P/NC). Your advisor can help you answer the questions on this list.

What policies related to P/NC still apply?

- Courses taken P/NC are not included in the computation of grade point average.
- Grades of A through D- are designated as Pass.
- Students may change a class from P/NC to a regular grade through the last day of scheduled classes.
- No more than one course taken on a P/NC basis may be counted toward the completion of a major or a minor.
- A course taken P/NC specifically to qualify for the Bachelor of Science degree is excluded from the five semester hour limit on P/NC courses in the major or minor.
- All courses required by the instructor to be taken P/NC, including internships, are excluded from the above limits. All such courses are designated in the course description in the catalog.
- All physical education classes may be taken for a grade or P/NC and are excluded from the above limits.