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Divinity School

Divinity Grade Policy Spring 2020

Changes to final grade policy for Spring 2020 Final Grades:

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a challenge to our state, nation, and world. The entire Campbell University community has felt the stress and anxiety. Students, in particular, are facing unique and unprecedented challenges. To provide flexibility to students in these extraordinary and trying circumstances, the Divinity School is extending its existing Credit / No Credit (CR/NC) grading option in the following ways:

- 1) For Spring 2020, students may elect to receive CR/NC grading for any course(s), including core requirements. The use of the CR/NC option for the Spring 2020 semester will not count against the normal limit of two CR/NC courses and will not be limited to elective courses.
- 2) Students will be able to make the election from now until just after final grades have been posted. The last day to select the CR/NC final grade option for any course, the "CR/NC decision date," is May 5, 2020, for May 2020 graduation candidates and May 8, 2020, for all other students. After the CR/NC decision date, the CR/NC option is no longer available.
- 3) Students will make the election for the CR/NC option by filling out a form that must be submitted to the office of the Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs by the deadline specified above. The link to the form has been emailed to each student, and is available on request from the Assistant Dean.
- 4) When a student elects the CR/NC option for a course, final grades will be converted as follows:
 - a) For an earned final course grade of A, B, or C, the grade will be converted to CR, "Credit."
 - b) For an earned final course grade of D or F, the grade will be converted to NC, "No Credit." However, note that a final course grade of F which has been assigned for academic misconduct cannot be converted to NC.
 - c) Final course grades of W or IC cannot be converted to CR/NC.
 - d) Once an earned course grade has been replaced by CR/NC, it cannot be changed back to the traditional letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F.

In keeping with our existing CR/NC policy, courses with final grades of CR will count as credit hours earned, while courses with final grades of NC will not count as credit hours earned. However, courses with final grades of CR/NC will accrue zero quality points per hour, thereby having a neutral effect upon grade point average. CR/NC grades will therefore not contribute to honors for graduation. Courses with a final grade of CR will satisfy the requirement of "C or better."

Before electing to use the CR/NC option for any course, each student must consider the implications carefully. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with the professor of the course and with their academic advisor before choosing the CR/NC option. In certain circumstances, including but not limited to the following, it may not benefit a student to use the CR/NC option:

- Benefits such as financial aid or course transfer to another institution may be negatively affected.
- Students on Academic Restriction should realize that choosing the CR/NC option for all courses will not enable them to raise their GPA.
- Students who have received federal financial aid this semester (including federal loans and VA Benefits/Tuition Assistance), particularly students with Academic Progress status of Warning, Unsatisfactory, or Appeal for financial aid purposes, are strongly encouraged to consult with the Office of Financial Aid before making any decisions about the CR/NC option.

Faculty advisors will be available for guidance in making decisions, but the choice to designate any course CR/NC and the consequences for doing so reside with the student.