

Fall 2020 Grading Policy

VPAA 21-01

Office of Academic Affairs, Office of the Registrar

Applies to: *Faculty, student employees, students*

Supersedes: *N/A*

Purpose of the Policy

At its regular meeting on September 1, 2020, the University Senate of Humboldt State University recommended to the President a temporary change of grade mode deadline during the Fall 2020 term in credit/no credit optional courses to the last Friday of instruction. Further, the University Senate recommended a temporary change in the add/drop deadline during the Fall 2020 term to the first Monday of the third week of instruction (September 14, 2020). The University Senate policy historically makes such recommendations (such as the one made in 2015). Extending the grade mode deadline in optional CR/NC courses allows students greater flexibility in regard to covid-19 conditions. Extending the add/drop date by one week gives students allows for first week of all in-person instruction to occur before the deadline and allows students time to adjust to fully online learning. The President approved this recommendation on September 2, 2020.

Policy Details

Add/Drop Date

The last date students can add courses (with a permission number) or drop courses without approval of a serious and compelling reason to is September 14, 2020 by 11:59 p.m. After this date, a “W” grade will be recorded. Drops after this date can no longer be completed through your Student Center.

Withdrawal

September 14, 2020 is also the last day to withdraw entirely from the fall semester without approval of a serious and compelling reason by 11:59 p.m. After this date, a “W” grade will be recorded and permission to withdraw will be required. [See Withdrawal Process.](#)

Credit / No Credit Option

Before students make the decision to withdraw; they should know that the final day to switch

their optional grade course to a [Credit/No Credit option](#) has been extended to December 11, 2020. Students should always consult with their advisors on course selection and keep their DARS degree planner up to date.

History *(required)*

All changes must be listed chronologically in the format below, including all edits and reviews. Note when the policy name or number changes. Note if an edit or revision date is exclusively for the policy section or the procedure section:

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