STUDENT FAQs

● What grades are considered “Pass” and which are considered “No Credit?”

If students opt for the Pass/No Credit policy, then grades A through C- are converted to a Pass and the grade of F is converted to a No Credit. The lowest passing grade for graduate business students is C-.

Credit towards degree requirements is only applied when a Pass or letter grades A through C- are earned.

● How do students select “Pass/No Credit” for their courses?

Students will receive instructions from the University’s Registrar Office before May 12. The selection will be made via insideND. An eform will need to be filled out for each course taken for Pass/No Credit.

Students have from May 12 through May 29 to elect Pass/No Credit and once approved, it is irrevocable.

● Do students have to affirm no change to letter grades if they opt out of the Pass/No Credit option?

No. Letter grades are the default and the only affirmation that will be required is if students elect Pass/No Credit.

● For which courses is the Pass/No Credit option available?

The Pass/No Credit option will be available to students enrolled in spring 2020, semester-long courses as well as mod 4 courses.

● Do students have to choose Pass/No Credit for all or no courses, or can students make this decision on a case-by-case basis?

Students must make the Pass/No Credit decision for individual courses; the option is available for some, all or no courses.

● What factors should be considered when choosing the Pass/No Credit grading option?

Important factors include fulfillment of degree requirements, eligibility for Latin Honors and Graduation awards tied to GPA, and certifications, jobs, and applications to other degree programs. The Mendoza Academic Code also requires students to have a 3.000
cumulative GPA at the end of the spring 2020 semester to graduate. Please read the Graduate Business Academic Code here.

- **Is there a “calculator” or online tool available to help with the GPA calculation when making their Pass/No Credit decisions?**

  A GPA calculator is available in the Graduation Progress System on insideND.

- **How does the College define “good standing?”**

  To maintain academic good standing, a business graduate student must achieve a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.000 in every term. Please read the Graduate Business Academic Code here.

- **What are the cutoffs for Latin Honors?**
  - Cum laude: 3.6 to 3.79
  - Magna cum laude: 3.8 to 3.99
  - Summa cum laude: 4.000

  Latin Honors are based on cumulative GPA after final grades are calculated (i.e. post P/NC declarations). Students who are close to and focused on Latin Honors could choose to select only those grades that move their GPA up. Those currently above the LH thresholds could opt not to take any grades that might lower their GPA.

- **When will degrees be mailed?**

  Grades will be processed May 30-31. Degrees will be mailed at a date TBD in late June.

- **Where will my degree be mailed?**

  Addresses should have been updated in GradApp by April 15.

- **When will official transcripts be mailed out for graduate school applications?**

  Grades will be processed May 30-31, so transcripts can go out as early as June 1.

- **Can I order a cap and gown and honor cords?**

  The link to order master gowns is live on the commencement.nd.edu site, and the gowns are available for ship to home only. The link to order is here. Order master’s cap and gown, DRAB color.

  Honor cords will be mailed to students directly.
• **How do I set up an alumni email account?**

  Students should go to [this link](#) to set up their @alumni.nd.edu account.

• **Will I have access to Handshake after graduation?**

  Alumni have access to Handshake. Please use your ND alumni email address to login once your current ND email address expires.