

Special COVID-19 Flexible Grading Policy for the Fall 2020 Semester Addendum to Medgar Evers College Fall 2020 Catalog

As part of The City University of New York's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, during the Fall 2020 semester, students in shall have the option to convert some or all of the (B+ through F) letter grades they earn in their classes, to Credit/No Credit (CR/NC) grading, per the provisions below.

1. During the Fall 2020 semester, all students enrolled in courses with the CR/NC policy shall have the option to convert some or all of the (B+ through F) letter grades they earn in these classes to Credit/No Credit grading.
2. Students will be able to make this decision for eligible courses between December 24, 2020 and January 12, 2021. Once selected, the CR/NC option cannot be reversed. Any changes to the dates of this opt-in window will be communicated in a timely fashion.
3. If a student chooses to exercise this option for an eligible course, a passing letter grade (B+ through D-) will convert to 'CR' with credit for the class being awarded, while a failing grade (F) will convert to 'NC', with no credit awarded. Credit/No Credit grades will not impact the student's GPA.
4. Courses taken for a letter grade will continue to be included in the semester and general GPA, while courses taken for a Credit/No Credit grade will be excluded, just as is the case with such courses taken at a student's home institution.
5. If a student exercises the option of Credit/No Credit, the Credit (CR) grade will not negatively impact the student's progress toward degree completion.
6. Students with Credit/No Credit grades will be able to transfer those courses across colleges within CUNY, per current CUNY policy.
7. The Fall 2020 CR/NC Policy shall apply to coursework completed on Permit and will not affect Board of Trustees Policy 1.14 – Policy on Coursework Completed on Permit.
8. Students placed on academic probation by their institution at the start of the Fall 2020 semester who choose Credit/No Credit grades shall not be penalized with academic dismissal based upon their grades earned this semester.
9. The Fall 2020 CR/NC Policy shall not affect the University standards of student retention and progress in accordance with Board of Trustees Policy 1.26.
10. Before choosing this grading option for one or more of their classes, students shall consult with their academic and financial aid advisors regarding potential impact to their financial aid, licensure requirements, and graduate school admissions.

11. Except for courses explicitly excluded by a College from application (see below exclusions), the policy shall supersede and override all undergraduate and graduate program-level grading policies currently in effect at CUNY colleges and schools, including those related to required and elective courses within the major, minor, general education (Pathways), pre-requisite courses, honors courses, courses taken on permit and maximum number of credits that a student can earn with Credit/No Credit grades.
12. The grade glossary, attached to each transcript, will be updated to include a notation denoting that all Fall 2020 grades, including CR or NC, were earned during a major disruption to instruction as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE/CUNY COURSE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE FALL 2020 CR/NC FLEXIBLE GRADING OPTION

All students

Grades that are excluded:

A+, A, A- grades are excluded from the CR/NC Option

WN, W, WU grades are excluded from the CR/NC Option

Education Majors – Courses that are Excluded

ENGL 112
ENGL 150
ENGL 209
ENGL 309
ENGL 212
MATH 136
MATH 231
BIO 101
PHS 101
BIO 211
EDUC 102
EDUC 110
EDUC 152
EDUC 231
EDUC 252
EDUC 302
EDUC 307
EDUC 310
EDUC 311
EDUC 315
EDUC 340
EDUC 350
EDUC 355
EDUC 457
EDUC 481
EDUC 491
EDUC 495

EDUC 496
EDUC 499
EDUC 501
EDUC 502
EDUC 503
EDUC 504
EDUC 505
EDUC 507
EDUC 508

Nursing Majors – Courses that are Excluded

BIO 104
BIO 251
BIO 252
BIO 261
BIO 323
PSYC 101
PHIL 201
CHM 105
ENGL 112
ENGL 150
ENGL 212
ENGL 313
MTH 136
MTH 209
CIS 101
CIS 280
SSC 101
SSC 305
HIST 200
ART 100
MUS 100
NUR 25
NUR 26
NUR 27
NUR 130
NUR 131
NUR 275
NUR 276
NUR 304
NUR 316
NUR 318
NUR 321
NUR 322
NUR 421
NUR 422
NUR 425
NURL 27
NURL 130
NURL 131
NURL 275
NURL 316
NURL 318

NURL 421
NURS 130
NURS 275

Social Work Majors – Courses that are Excluded

SW 220
SW 231
SW 303
SW 304
SW 305
SW 307
SW 308
SW 311
SW 312
SW 321
SW 323
SW 330
SW 331
SW 337
SW 338
SW 340
SW 405
SW 409
SW 412
SW 420
SW 457