

## Undergraduate Business Program UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School

### Spring 2021 Pass/Fail Grading Accommodation FAQ

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#### **Q: What courses does this revised pass/fail policy apply to?**

This policy applies to undergraduate courses (numbered below 700) in the College of Arts & Sciences, Kenan-Flagler Business School, School of Information and Library Science, Hussman School of Journalism and Media, School of Education, Adams School of Dentistry and the Gillings School of Global Public Health.

#### **Q: What grades designate a Pass, Low Pass and Fail?**

Grades of F will remain a Fail. Grades of D, D+ and C- will be classified as a Low Pass.

Grades of C and above will be classified as a Pass.

#### **Q: What is the deadline for declaring a course pass/fail?**

The deadline to elect/remove pass/low pass/fail accommodation for all courses (semester, MOD 1, MOD 2, and weekend) is May 5, 2021.

#### **Q: How do I declare a course pass/fail?**

To submit a request:

1. Login at <http://connectcarolina.unc.edu>.
2. Click on the Login to ConnectCarolina Student Center link.
3. Locate 'Other Academic...' dropdown box on the left.
4. Select the Pass/Fail Request and click to go button next to the dropdown box.
5. Follow the directions on form to process.
6. Click Submit and receive a confirmation in ConnectCarolina that the form has been submitted as well as an email confirmation.

Detailed Instructions:

<https://registrar.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2020/10/PassFail-Detailed-Instructions.pdf>

#### **Q: How do I know if my pass/fail request has been processed?**

Select 'My Class Schedule' in your student center to view your Spring 2021 detailed schedule. There is a 'Grading' column for each course; a 'P/F' will appear for any course that is designated as pass/fail.

#### **Q: Is there a limit on how many courses you can declare for pass/fail for spring 2021?**

No, there is no limit on how many courses you can declare pass/fail. Courses declared pass/fail in spring 2021 will not contribute to the total credit hours of pass/fail credit allowed in a student's undergraduate career.

**Q: Can a pass/low pass/fail course count towards my major or minor?**

Students may use Spring 2021 pass/low pass courses to fulfill major/minor requirements.

- Business majors must successfully pass at least 18 credits of core requirements with a C(PS) or better.
- Business minors must successfully pass at least 12 credits of minor requirements with a C(PS) or better.

**Q: Will earning a Low Pass count towards my major or minor?**

A low pass may satisfy degree requirements that do not have a C or better rule.

**Q: If I declare a BUSI course pass/fail, can it be used in a future semester as a course prerequisite that requires a minimum grade?**

Yes, a pass (not low pass) grade earned in a Spring 2021 course may be used to fulfill a prerequisite minimum grade requirement in a future semester. For example, BUSI 580H requires students to earn a minimum grade of C or better in BUSI 408. A PS grade earned in BUSI 408 during Spring 2021 may be used to fulfill this grade requirement for enrolling in BUSI 580H or any other upper elective BUSI finance courses that have a similar C or better requirement..

**Q: Can a pass/fail course meet General Education requirements?**

Students may use Spring 2021 pass/low pass courses to fulfill Gen Ed requirements.

**Q: Does a pass/fail course affect my GPA?**

This depends on what grade you earn. A grade of Pass or Low Pass will not be factored into your GPA, but a grade of F will.

**Q: Are my faculty aware that my course has been put on pass/fail?**

Consistent with the current criteria for students who opt for pass/fail grading, faculty members will not be aware of students who elect the pass/fail grading option when entering final grades. The only way faculty will know is if the student informs them themselves.

**Q: Will pass/fail courses count toward my earned semester hours for eligibility purposes?**

Yes.

**Q: How will a pass/fail course appear on my transcript?**

UNC-Chapel Hill will include a transcript note on all academic records, regardless of grading, indicating the extraordinary circumstances of the global public health emergency.

**Q: I'm taking a course at another domestic institution this semester, can I transfer the course back to UNC as a pass (PS)?**

Admissions policy states that transfer credits must be earned with a passing grade of C or better. If the domestic institution rule is that a D or better earns a PS, then that course would not be transferrable to UNC. This process is not completed through the UBP Office, for further questions, please contact [transfercredit@admissions.unc.edu](mailto:transfercredit@admissions.unc.edu).

**Q: I am planning to transfer my UNC credits to another institution, would my UNC courses be transferable as a pass (PS)?**

Each institution establishes their own policies, therefore it would be at the intended institutions discretion to accept or deny PS credits. You can reference the Spring 2021 notation that will appear in your UNC undergraduate transcript.

**Q: How will a pass/fail course affect me in the future?**

If you are applying for a graduate program in the future, they may ask you about it and you can point them to the notation that will appear in your UNC undergraduate transcript.

**Q: If I have additional questions about declaring a course pass/fail, where should I go?**

We encourage you to speak with an academic advisor about your choice and about any impact your choices might have for success in future courses:

[Meet with an UBP Advisor](#)