

Final Grade Options

What You Should Know



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Topics to be covered

- GPA – what it is and how to calculate it
- What are the actual options
- How to know which option to choose
- Final grade appeals
- What if you haven't submitted all your term work/written your final exam
- Late VW and Authorized Withdrawal
- Where to get help



GPA: WHAT IS IT

- Conversion of letter grades into number grades.
- Averages your grades over the number of credit hours you have completed
- Several “kinds” – we’ll be focused on
 - DGPA: Degree GPA
 - CGPA: Cumulative GPA
 - AGPA: Adjusted GPA
- How to calculate GPA
 - https://umanitoba.ca/u1/media/pdf/GPA_calculator.pdf



What are the actual options?

1

Make no change and
keep your earned grade

2

VW from
the course

3

Exclude your grade
from your CGPA

4

Select your grade to
be identified as Pass

<https://centre.cc.umanitoba.ca/altgrading/>

1

Make no change and
keep your earned grade

- a. These grades will be visible on your transcript and will be used in all GPA calculations.
- b. This is the same as what happens now.
- c. You do not need to take any action if you are satisfied with the grades you see on Aurora.



2

VW from
the course

- a. Once you see your grade, you can decide if you would like to VW from the course. The course grade will be removed entirely from your record, and will be replaced with VW.
- b. This is the same as what happens now, except that you will not be subject to Limited Access for any course with a VW grade in Winter 2020.



3

Exclude your grade
from your CGPA

- a. The grade will remain on your record, but it will not be used in the calculation of your Cumulative GPA (CGPA).
- b. Courses that you exclude from your CGPA calculation will still be counted in your AGPA which is used to calculate Admission to most Faculties.
- c. Even if you exclude a grade, it will still be used to fulfill a pre-requisite or for degree requirements, as long as you have achieved the minimum letter grade required.
- d. Excluding grades will have no impact on your ability to transit into Arts or Science.



4

Select your grade to
be identified as Pass

- a. The letter grade is removed from your record and will not be used in any GPA calculation.
- b. Pass course will not be used to fulfil Admission requirements.
- c. Courses which are identified as Pass might not be used to fulfill prerequisite and other degree requirements.
- d. Choosing a Pass is beneficial to U1 students only in select circumstances. If you are considering this option please discuss this with an advisor.



What about my AGPA or impact on future program selection?

- All admission requirements still need to be met
- All pre-requisites must also be met

*Pass may not fulfill

- Details may be confusing
- Confirm with Admissions Officer for target program
- https://umanitoba.ca/student/admissions/media/COVID_Pass_Grade_Communication.pdf
- <https://centre.cc.umanitoba.ca/altgrading/>

What if I'm not done my course work yet?

- Contact an Academic Advisor in your home faculty

<http://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-advising>

- Contact your Professor or Instructor

Name/Student Number
Course (BIOL 1000)
Section (A02)
What you have missed
Brief explanation of your issue
Phone Number

What if I disagree with my grade?

- Final Grade Appeal / Term Work Grade Appeal
- Must be based on specific grounds for appeal in the Grade Appeal Policy (unrelated to changes occurring related to COVID 19)
- For students who feel like there has been an error with grade
- Contact Student Advocacy immediately

204 474-7423
stadv@umanitoba.ca

http://www.umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/academic-progress.html#course-marks

<http://umanitoba.ca/registrar/grades/appeal-grade>

Selecting my option

- Not available until May 1
- Deadline is May 10
- Within UM Learn

<https://centre.cc.umanitoba.ca/altgrading/>

- Double check your selection on Aurora Student



Dropping Classes after May 10

- Authorized Withdrawal
- Late VW
- Fee Appeals

Medical and/or compassionate grounds
Require documentation

- Contact a Student Advocate or Academic Advisor



Where to find help

- Academic Advisor

<http://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-advising>

- Student Advocate

https://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/

- Admissions

<http://umanitoba.ca/admissions>





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