
MEMO

TO: MARY OLING-SISSAY – VICE PROVOST

FROM: JULIE ALDERSON – CHAIR, ICC

SUBJECT: **UPDATED** EMERGENCY CREDIT/NO CREDIT GRADE PROTOCOL FOR SPRING 2020

DATE: 3/26/20

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In light of the COVID-19 national crisis, and after deliberation and consultation with members of the Integrated Curriculum Committee, Vice Provost's office, Registrar's office and others, the Senate Executive Committee of the University Senate proposes that campus adopt emergency measures regarding Credit/No Credit classes for the Spring 2020 semester.

General messaging on these changes:

Dear Faculty and Students

Welcome back to instruction! We want students to be relieved from undue concern about grades as we all adjust to alternative modes of teaching and learning. We are doing everything we can to help them to [keep learning](#). And we want them to feel confident in doing so. To lessen student anxiety, the deadline to change grade mode (LTR to CR/NC, or CR/NC to LTR) has been extended to 11:59pm, Friday, May 8.

In addition:

- The campus has decided to expand the number of courses allowed to use the credit/no-credit option.
- The campus has lifted the restriction on the number of optional courses students can take for credit/no-credit this semester. Additionally,

these courses will not count towards the maximum number of CR/NC units one may apply to the degree.

- Department Chairs, in consultation with program faculty will confirm with the Registrar those courses in the major that may not be taken as credit/no-credit this semester.
- A course taken this term as a replacement/repeat of a previously-graded course may be taken credit/no-credit. (Note that a grade of "Credit" will replace a previous grade, while a grade of "No Credit" will not replace a previous grade.)

Please note: for some categories of students (for example, veteran students, student athletes, students considering graduate or professional school in certain fields), using the CR/NC option may not be advisable. Every student should work very closely with their advisor on this decision making taking into account all aspects of academic standing, financial aid, etc.