

## Academic Year (AY) 2020-21 COVID-19 Grading Policy

As we approach the end of the seventh week of this semester, we recognize the challenges our students face in a new and unfamiliar online/remote learning environment and the accompanying anxiety and stress placed on them. Knowing that the University remains committed to supporting its students' educational endeavors in the best and safest way possible during the ongoing Covid 19 Pandemic, we propose/offer a **COVID-19 Grading Policy** for the Academic Year (AY) 2020-21. Included in AY 2020-21 is Fall 2020, Winter Session 2021, and Spring 2021.

## If you are an undergraduate student.

A grade of 'A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, or D' will continue to be transcripted and will affect the semester and cumulative GPA. A failing grade of 'E' will be converted to an 'F' grade as to not affect a student's GPA. *An exception exists to this general rule in the event the student earned an E grade as a result of plagiarism. In that case, the E would remain and affect the student's GPA.* Graded AY 2020-21 courses may be repeated once. The one time repeat will not count toward the maximum number of allowable repeats detailed in the University's **Repeat Grades** policy. <u>Repeat Grades</u> Undergraduate Catalog 2019-20, pg. 23.

## If you are a graduate student.

A grade of 'A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D, or E' will continue to be transcripted and affect the semester and cumulative GPA. During AY 2020-21, graduate students earning a grade of 'E' may petition for a <u>course</u> <u>repeat</u> and the repeated course will <u>not</u> count toward the 'one-time repeat rule.' <u>Course Repeats</u> Graduate Catalog 2019-20 pg. 26.

As an undergraduate student at East Stroudsburg University, you need not take action for this **COVID\_19 Grading Policy** to apply to your Academic Year 2020-21 record. For graduate students, unless otherwise, as noted, please follow the Course Repeats policy within the <u>graduate catalog</u>.

For questions or concerns regarding the **Academic Year (AY) 2020-21 COVID-19 Grading Policy**, please contact the <u>Registrar's Office</u> at 570-422-2800 or <u>records@esu.edu</u>.

For questions regarding how the **Academic Year (AY) 2020-21 COVID-19 Grading Policy** will affect your financial aid, please visit: <u>https://www.esu.edu/financial-aid/academic-progress-covid.cfm</u>

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