

UNBC GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

Each course taken for academic credit is assigned a final grade at the end of the semester. The final grade for each course will be indicated by a letter grade and a grade point on the student's transcript. **It is important to note that only course work completed at UNBC is used in the calculation of the GPA.**

Grade Point Average: Grade Point Average (GPA) is a method of expressing a student's academic performance as a numerical value. Each letter grade is assigned a numerical equivalent, which is then multiplied by the credit hour value assigned to the course to produce the grade point.

Semester Grade Point Average: Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) is computed by dividing the total number of grade points earned by the total number of credit hours taken in a semester. See Academic Regulation 30 (Repeating Courses) for the treatment of repeated courses in GPA calculations.

Cumulative Grade Point Average: The UNBC Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) expresses performance as a numerical average for all UNBC courses for all semesters completed. The CGPA is calculated by dividing the total number of grade points earned to date by the total number of credit hours undertaken to date. (Letter grades of P or W are not assigned a numerical value and are not used in calculating the grade point average.) See Academic Regulation 30 (Repeating Courses) for the treatment of repeated courses in GPA calculations. The CGPA provides the numerical value used to determine good academic standing or academic probation. **Note:** At the conclusion of each semester, grades are available as they are processed. Until the conclusion of the grading processes, your cumulative GPA is subject to change.

The following grades and their values are used in computing the semester and cumulative UNBC GPA:

Undergraduate Grading System (prior to September 2005)

UNBC Grade Point	Letter Grade	Percentage	Definition/ Standing
4.33	A+	90 -100%	Excellent
4.00	A	85-89.9%	
3.67	A-	80-84.9%	
3.33	B+	77-79.9%	Good
3.00	B	73-76.9%	
2.67	B-	70-72.9%	
2.33	C+	67-69.9%	Satisfactory
2.00	C	63-66.9%	
1.67	C-	60-62.9%	Marginal
1.00	D	50-59.9%	
0.00	F	0 -49.9%	Failure

Undergraduate Grading System (effective September 2005)

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1.33	D+	57-59.9%	
1.00	D	53-56.9%	
0.67	D-	50-52.9%	
0.00	F	0 -49.9%	Failure

The following are not included in academic average:

P	Passing Grade	Credit awarded
AEG	Aegrotat standing	Credit awarded
DEF	Deferred grade	No credit awarded
W	Withdrawn	No credit awarded
AUD	Audit of course	No credit awarded
IMP	Thesis or Project course work in progress	
NGR	No grade reported	

CALCULATING YOUR GPA

Multiply the **grade point values** by the number of credit hours to determine the **quality points** for each course.

1. Add together all the **quality points**.
2. Add together all the credit hours that received one of the above grades to determine **net hours**.
3. Divide the **net quality points** by **net hours** to calculate the GPA.

Example:

Course	Grade	Credit Hours		Grade Points		Quality Points
MATH 115	W	-3		–		–
BIOL 101	A-	4	x	3.67	=	14.68
ENGL 101	A+	3	x	4.33	=	12.99
PHIL 101	B	3	x	3	=	9
CORE 101	AEG	-3		–	=	–
ARTS 101	A-	3	x	3.67	=	11.01
BIOL 102	B-	4	x	2.67	=	10.68
Net Hours:		17		Net Quality Points:		58.36
$58.36 \div 17.0 = 3.43$ GPA						

This can be done for each semester or for all completed coursework completed at UNBC.

Blank Worksheet:

Course	Grade (with Grade Point Values attached)		Credit Hours		Quality Points
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		Net Hours:		Net Quality Points:	
GPA					

GPA PROJECTION

To be in Good Academic Standing (as per UNBC Academic Regulations 47 & 48), UNBC requires that students maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Additionally, students are not permitted to graduate while on Academic Probation (i.e., CGPA less than 2.00).

The following is a flow chart on how to project your GPA.

1. GPA (this may be your goal GPA or the GPA required for your degree program): _____
2. Total number of credit hours you have attempted (Total credit hours you have taken for a letter grade, even if you failed the course. Do not include courses for which you received W, AEG, or P grades.):

3. Total number of quality points for courses you have taken: _____
4. Total number of credit hours for courses that you have in progress this semester (Do not include courses which are graded on a pass/fail basis): _____
5. Determine how many quality points are required to meet your goal GPA by following the below calculation:

(Line 2 + Line 4) x Line 1 = _____ - Line 3 = Quality Points needed
6. Divide your quality points needed by the total number of credit hours that you have in progress. This will determine the GPA you need to achieve this semester.

Line 5 / Line 4 = GPA Required this semester to meet your goal