

Table of grades

This table contains grades used by Charles Sturt University, either currently or in the past, with

- their definitions,
- conditions for their use and
- for temporary grades, the time-period after which they must be replaced by a permanent grade.

The table has five sections:

1. grades currently used to record academic and/or professional achievement or graded credit in a subject
2. grades currently used to record academic and/or professional achievement in a research component subject for a bachelor (honours) course.
3. grades currently used to record that forward credit or ungraded credit has been granted for a coursework subject
4. grades used for administrative purposes where a student has not yet completed all assessment for a subject or to record various situations where a student withdraws from a subject, and
5. grades that the University has used in the past but no longer uses.

Grade	Description	Definition and conditions	Included in GPA	GPA value	Time-limit for expiry and/or process for replacement with an achievement grade
<p>1. Grades currently used to record</p> <p>a. academic and/or professional achievement in a subject, or</p> <p>b. that the student has been granted graded credit in a subject.</p> <p>The Credit Policy states the conditions on which students may be granted graded credit.</p> <p>These grades may also be used to provide feedback on a student's level of academic and/or professional achievement in an individual assessment task.</p>					
HD	High distinction	Outstanding level of achievement (mark of 84.5-100%)	Yes	7	Permanent grade
DI	Distinction	High level of achievement (mark of 74.5-84.4%)	Yes	6	Permanent grade

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CR	Credit	Better than satisfactory level of achievement (mark of 64.5-74.4%)	Yes	5	Permanent grade
PS	Pass	Satisfactory level of achievement (mark of 49.5-64.4%)	Yes	4	Permanent grade
FL	Fail	Unsatisfactory level of achievement; must be based on assessment of at least one summative assessment task (mark of 0-49.4%) This grade is not used to record graded credit.	Yes	0	Permanent grade
FNS	Fail non-submission	Student was enrolled in the subject but was not assessed on any of the summative assessment tasks.	Yes	0	Permanent grade
SY	Satisfactory	Satisfactory level of achievement using satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading scale	No	N/A	Permanent grade
US	Unsatisfactory	Unsatisfactory level of achievement using satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading scale	No	N/A	Permanent grade
2. Grades used to record academic and/or professional achievement in a research component subject for a bachelor (honours) course.					
See the Assessment Policy for a definition of 'research component'.					
H1	Class 1	Used only in honours project or dissertation subject in a bachelor (honours) course. The faculty defines the standard required for this grade. It need not be the same as the class of honours awarded for the degree.	No	N/A	Permanent grade
H2A	Class 2, division 1	As for H1 above	No	N/A	Permanent grade
H2B	Class 2, division 2	As for H1 above	No	N/A	Permanent grade

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H3	Class 3	As for H1 above	No	N/A	Permanent grade
<p>3. Grades currently used to record that a student</p> <p>a. has been granted ungraded credit towards a coursework subject, or</p> <p>b. has been granted graded or ungraded credit in advance, towards a coursework subject, for a subject in which they are currently enrolled or intend to enrol.</p> <p>The Credit Policy states the conditions on which students may be granted forward credit or ungraded credit.</p>					
FCR	Forward credit	The student has been granted forward credit for the subject	No	N/A	Must be replaced with a TCR grade or graded credit when the student provides evidence that they have passed the other subject for which forward credit has been approved; or, if the student does not provide the evidence by the deadline specified, the subject and forward credit grade must be removed from the student's record.
PCR	Proficiency credit	The student has been granted proficiency credit for the subject	No	N/A	Permanent grade
TCR	Transfer credit	The student has been granted transfer credit for the subject	No	N/A	Permanent grade
<p>4. Grades used for administrative purposes where a student has not yet completed all assessment for a subject or to record various situations where a student withdraws from a subject.</p>					
AA	Additional assessment	Student has marginally failed subject but has been invited to complete one or more additional assessment tasks or a faculty-run exam, so may yet pass. Can only be replaced with PS, SY, FL, US or AW.	No	N/A	Must be replaced with a permanent grade by twelve months after the end of the session in which the grade was entered, unless the executive dean approves an extension.

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AE	Additional examination	Student has marginally failed subject but has been invited to sit an additional centrally managed exam, so may yet pass. Can only be replaced with PS, SY, FL, US or AW.	No	N/A	Must be replaced with a permanent grade by twelve months after the end of the session in which the grade was entered.
AW	Approved withdrawal	Student has been permitted to withdraw from the subject without failing it.	No	N/A	Permanent grade
GP	Grade pending	One or more assessment task is outstanding or yet to be assessed. This grade is used where the head of school approves an extension of time for the student to submit assessment work or where the student is prevented from submitting the work on time by circumstances outside their control.	No	N/A	Twelve months after the end of the session in which the grade was entered, unless the deputy dean approves an extension.
IP	In progress	The subject duration is longer than one session and this grade is entered for each session before the session in which the subject offering ends.	No	N/A	Permanent grade
TA	To be assessed	Result not yet available.	No	N/A	Must be replaced with a permanent grade, GP or DX as soon as possible.
NA	Not assessed	Student was not assessed in this subject	No	N/A	

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DX	Deferred exam	The student has been granted a deferred exam. Will be replaced with a permanent grade when the result of the deferred exam is known.	No	N/A	Must be replaced with a permanent grade after the student completes the deferred exam in the next end-of-session exam period. If, however, the student marginally fails the deferred exam and is granted an additional assessment, an AA or AE must replace the DX grade until the additional assessment has been completed and marked.
WD	Withheld/fees due	The result is withheld for administrative reasons.	No	N/A	Will be replaced with a permanent grade when the matter is resolved.
5. Grades used by the University in the past, which are no longer used.					
FW	Fail withdrawn	Use ceased in 2021 – replaced with FNS. From January 2007 to June 2020 this grade meant that the student was enrolled in the subject but was not assessed on any of the summative assessment tasks. From January 2001 to the end of December 2006 this grade meant that the student did not submit any of the subject's compulsory assessment items. Before January 2001 this grade meant that the student withdrew from the subject (and was not granted approved withdrawal); or did not submit all the subject's compulsory assessment items and/or did not sit the final exam in the	Yes	0	Permanent grade

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		subject; or was granted a supplementary exam but did not sit it or receive special consideration for not sitting it.			
PT	Terminating pass	Not awarded since 1994.	Yes	3	Permanent grade

Document history

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