

SUBJECT: NEW Pass/No Pass Grading Option

Dear Undergraduate Students,

Have you ever wanted to take a class to explore a new subject but were concerned how the final grade may impact your GPA? You now have a new grading option you can consider using for these type of classes.

I am pleased to announce that the [D05.0 Grades Policy](#) revision, which provides undergraduate students with a “pass/no pass” grading option, is in effect starting this fall semester (Fall 2021).

This policy revision was approved in May 2020, but its implementation was delayed because of the pandemic-related alternate grading policy that we temporarily put in place for spring 2020, fall 2020 and spring 2021. Please note that the temporary alternate grading policies ended in spring 2021 and will not be in effect for any additional terms.

Please review the updated policy in the newly posted version of [D05.0](#), which includes maximum credit hour rules and other details about the policy. Please also review the [FAQs](#).

Note: An undergraduate student may select a “pass/no pass” grade option only for eligible courses. To be eligible, the course must be an open elective and cannot be used to meet the requirements of the student’s major, minor, or general education requirements, including the immersion. The policy also outlines a maximum of 12 credit hours that can qualify over a student’s entire undergraduate career and that no more than 6 credit hours can be elected as “pass/no pass” grade option in a semester.

Students who wish to exercise the new “pass/no pass” grading option will submit a request using the [“Request for Pass/No Pass Grading”](#) form, posted on the Registrar’s Office website. The deadline each semester to submit these requests is the last day of course withdrawal, which for this fall is **November 5th** for the main campus.

Please consult with your advisor before making a pass/no pass decision and you may also email registrar@rit.edu with additional questions.

Thank you,
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