

1. How will letter grades be converted to S/U grades?

FAMU has modified its **undergraduate grading policy** for the 2020 spring semester. Please see [FAMU COVID-19 Grading Policy Modifications Spring 2020](#).

2. How will the S/U impact my GPA?

S/U graded courses are not calculated into your GPA. If you have Bright Futures or other scholarships that require you to maintain a certain GPA, it will be very important for you to make sure you understand any implications of the S/U option on your GPA. If you have any questions, it will be very important for you to speak to a Financial Aid Advisor prior to selecting an S/U grade. **Please remember, once you request the S/U grading option, you cannot go back.**

- If you are a **Bright Futures Medallion** award recipient, you will need to maintain a cumulative overall GPA of 2.75 or higher and earn all credit hours you attempt this spring for your scholarship to be renewed next year. A grade of 'S' will only be awarded if you have earned the equivalent of C- or higher in the course. The 'S' grade will earn credit but will not be applied to your GPA. A grade of 'U' will not earn hours and, just like an 'F,' result in the non-renewal of your scholarship.
- If you are a **Bright Futures Academic** award recipient, you will need to have a cumulative overall GPA of 3.00 GPA or higher and earn all credit hours you attempt this spring for your scholarship to be renewed for next year. A grade of 'S' will only be awarded if you have earned the equivalent of C- or higher in the course. The 'S' grade will earn credit but will not be applied to your GPA. A grade of 'U' will not earn hours and, just like an 'F,' result in the non-renewal of your scholarship.
- If you have worked with the Financial Aid Office and your academic advisor to create an **Academic Plan** to meet **Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)** guidelines, it is important to earn credit in all the courses on your academic plan. An 'S' grade will earn credit and is considered as a passing grade. A 'U' grade is not considered a passing grade and does not earn credit hours. Keep in mind, an 'S' grade will only be awarded if you have a C- or better in the course. If you choose to receive a letter-grade, a 'D-' grade or better earns credit and is considered passing.
- If you choose the S/U grade option for all your courses this spring, your GPA will not change after grades post. Your cumulative GPA after Fall 2019 will be considered for all financial aid determinations.
- For the **University Scholarship Program**, you are required to pass all courses attempted with a "C" or better. If you elect to use the "S/U" grading system and earn a "U" your scholarship will not be renewed.

3. Can I take my class with S-U grading and/or drop a course with a W?

No. Scholars are required to pass ALL courses attempted with a "C" or better grade.

4. Can I ask my Instructor for an Incomplete (I) grade?

No. Scholars are required to pass ALL courses attempted with a "C" or better grade.

- 5. Would it be better for me to request an S/U grade or an Incomplete (I) grade?**
Scholars are required to pass ALL courses attempted with a “C” or better grade.
- 6. What if I want to withdraw from my course?**
Scholars are required to pass ALL courses attempted with a “C” or better grade. Pursuant to your scholarship agreement, you may not withdraw from your courses. A single course or complete withdrawal will result in the non-renewal of your scholarship.
- 7. What happens to my financial aid if I drop all of my classes or stop attending classes?**
Do not drop classes. Scholars are required to enroll in and complete 15 credit hours each term and pass ALL courses attempted with a “C” or better grade. Florida Bright Futures will require a complete refund.
- 8. Classes have been moved online, but I am too sick to keep up with lectures and assignments. What do I do?**
Please reach out to your professor to make accommodations and please see a physician if you need to and take care of yourself. You may also contact our FAMU Student Health Clinic and Counseling Center. They are open (regular hours) and may be reached at (850) 599-3777 and (850) 599-3145, respectively.