

Choice of Catalog (Election of Regulations)

An undergraduate student must fulfill degree requirements from one catalog, not the most favorable requirements from two or more catalogs. As long as a student maintains "continuous attendance",^{*} he or she may elect, for purposes of fulfilling graduation requirements,

- the catalog in effect at the time a student begins attending a California public community college or California State University campus or any combination thereof, or
- the catalog in effect at the time a student begins attending CSU, Fresno, or
- the catalog in effect at the time the student graduates from CSU, Fresno.

Continuous attendance is defined as being officially enrolled at least one semester or two quarters during a calendar year regardless of the number of units completed. Also, a student is considered to have been in attendance even if he or she registered and totally withdrew from school during that semester/quarter as long as the official transcript so indicates. Any break in attendance of one calendar year or longer will break a student's continuous attendance status. Once a student establishes catalog rights in the CSU or California Community College system, he/she may attend any accredited college or university not to exceed two years and maintain catalog rights. Active military duty will maintain a student's continuous attendance status providing he/she enters the military from a California Community College or California State University campus and returns at the first registration for a fall/winter/spring semester or quarter following his or her release. The dates of military service must account for all of the time not in attendance. A planned educational leave will maintain a student's continuous attendance status (see *Planned Educational Leave*).

Graduate (master's) students fulfill requirements based on an approved advancement to candidacy petition. These requirements are based on departmental and university requirements as published in the current catalog at the time of advancement. Continuous enrollment is likewise defined differently for master's students (see: Division of Graduate Studies and Research).

^{*} **NOTE:** A student may not begin "continuous attendance" while still enrolled in high school.

Transcript Evaluation

Undergraduate transfer students will be evaluated under the degree requirements listed in the Catalog at the time he or she enters CSU, Fresno unless eligible for the 1980-81 or earlier Catalog.

The advanced standing evaluation will be mailed to the student's mailing address sometime during the first semester of attendance assuming all transfer transcripts are on file. Upon completion of approximately 90 semester units, each student *should request* a 90 unit degree evaluation from the Evaluations Office. This evaluation will show all requirements completed and any remaining baccalaureate degree requirements. Only one degree evaluation can be made for each student. Each student should keep his or her personal copy current. All transcripts submitted in support of an application for Admission become the property of the Records Office and are not returnable, even on loan. Students are strongly encouraged to obtain duplicate copies of their records from high school and prior college attendance for their personal file. Students also are strongly encouraged to

request a General Education certification (partial or full) from the California community college and/or California State University campus which they attended prior to enrolling in CSU, Fresno. The certification should be requested at the time final college transcripts are requested.

Grade Symbols and Grade Points

- A** — Excellent. Performance of the student has demonstrated the highest level of competence, showing sustained superiority in meeting all stated course objectives and responsibilities and exhibiting a very high degree of intellectual initiative. (4 grade points per unit)
- B** — Very Good.¹ Performance of the student has demonstrated a high level of competence, showing sustained superiority in meeting all stated course objectives and responsibilities and exhibiting a high degree of intellectual initiative. (3 grade points per unit)
- C** — Satisfactory.² Performance of the student has demonstrated a satisfactory level of competence, showing an adequate level of understanding of course objectives, responsibilities and comprehension of course intent. (2 grade points per unit)
- D** — Unsatisfactory.^{2,3} Performance of the student has been unsatisfactory, showing inadequacy in meeting basic course objectives, responsibilities and comprehension of course content. (1 grade point per unit)
- F** — Failure. Fails to meet course objectives. Work at this level does not meet requirements for credit toward a degree. (0 grade points per unit)
- U** — Failure—Unauthorized Incomplete.⁴ The symbol "U" indicates that an enrolled student did not properly withdraw from the course and consequently failed to complete minimum course requirements. It is assigned when, in the opinion of the instructor, completed assignments or course activities or both were insufficient to make normal evaluation of academic performance possible. (0 grade points per unit)
- CR** — Credit for units allowed, work of A, B, or C quality in undergraduate courses and A or B quality in post-baccalaureate courses (0 points per unit; units allowed counted.)
- NC** — No credit for units registered for, work of D or F quality in undergraduate courses and C, D, or F quality in 200-level courses. Replaces I grade in courses where CR-NC grading is used if required work is not completed within required time. (0 points per unit; no units allowed.)
- W** — Withdrawal after the fourth week of instruction. (Not used in grade point calculation.)
- I** — Incomplete. Semester requirements at least two-thirds complete with work of passing grade. (Not used in grade point calculation.) See *Incomplete Grade—Explanation* which follows.