Credit/No Credit Courses

Eligible students may want to take a course in an area in which they are not proficient or about which they are curious, while not risking their grade point average. Such students, with certain provisions, may be graded using the Credit/No Credit (CR/NC) grading option.

Students may select the CR/NC grading option or return to the traditional grading option prior to the add/drop deadline for the Part of Term in which the course is scheduled (as published on the Academic Calendar) with the written authorization of their advisor and dean.

Eligibility is limited to:

- matriculated students
- those in academic good standing

Courses are restricted to:

- any non-General Education course
- one CR/NC course per semester
- maximum of four CR/NC courses toward the degree

No grade points are assigned to either the CR or NC grade. CR is equivalent to grades of D- or higher. NC is equivalent to F. (CR/NC may not be an appropriate option for required courses in the major due to minimum grade requirements.) The semester hours earned are counted toward the total required for graduation. Because CR and NC yield no grade points, they are not included in divisor hours for calculating the grade point average. CR and NC are not included in calculating cumulative credits for determining academic actions specified in the Undergraduate Policy on Academic Standing.

Note: Transfer students who retake a course at Temple for which they have already received transfer credit and earned a “NC” in the Temple course, can use the transfer course to satisfy the requirement according to the School/College transfer rules. Transfer students are limited to a maximum of four CR/NC courses with a limit of one instance per semester.