

Spring 2020 Pass/No Credit (P/N) Policy

Effective March 23, 2020

For the Spring 2020 semester, undergraduate students can elect to have a letter grade or a P/N grade recorded on their transcript. They can adopt either designation after they have seen their final semester grades. Please note the details differ by School/College and by department so students must assume responsibility for the restrictions documented in the chart below.

Faculty will have one week to submit final grades (June 1, 2020); students will have one week after final grades are posted (June 8, 2020) to complete and submit the Spring 2020 P/N Grade Election form which will be available later on in this semester.

lf your major is in this School or Department:	Number of courses permissible to elect as P/N	Types of courses permissible to elect as P/N	Exclusions
Sy Syms	2 courses	All non- major/minor courses, including major electives	All Major/Minor requirements
Katz	2 courses	All non- major/minor courses, including major electives	All Major/Minor requirements
Yeshiva College	No limit	All non-major courses	All Major requirements, including major electives
Stern College for Women	No limit	All non-major courses	All Major requirements, including major electives
Undergraduate Torah Studies	No limit	All courses	All courses, within School maximums set above.

School P/N limits:

Required Guidelines for this Spring 2020 policy only:

• A "School" is determined by a student's declared major, not by the School or Department offering the course.

- Grades of A /A-/B+/B /B-/C+/C will be recorded as a P (Pass).
- Grades of C-/D+/D /D-/F will be recorded as N (No Credit).
- Students must have declared a major in one of the undergraduate Schools before the end of the Spring 2020 semester (May 22, 2020) to make the P/N election on June 8, 2020.

• Spring 2020 P/N decisions are final. (Future requests to reverse P/N elections to letter grades will require extenuating circumstances and review by the Academic Standards Committee of each School.)

• Previous P/N restrictions do not apply to the Spring 2020 semester.

• Students must complete a minimum of 12 credits with letter grades in the Spring 2020 semester to qualify for Dean's list.

Possible implications of electing Pass/No-Pass in Spring 2020:

1. **Employment implications --** Does the course fall within your intended employment area? If so, how might employers look upon a "P" grade? Should you demonstrate mastery of the field with an earned grade?

Headed to graduate school? -- Will the course be a prerequisite for graduate or professional school admission? If so, a "P" may put you at a disadvantage or even eliminate you from consideration. This may also be true for competitive scholarships and fellowships.
 Foundational course -- Will the course be serving as a prerequisite to a more advanced course? If so, it is important that you master the material which you could

demonstrate by a solid grade in the course.
4. **GPA --** Are you looking to improve your GPA and your academic record generally? A "P" will do neither of those.

If you have questions about how this policy affects you, contact the Dean or the Academic Advisors in your School or College.