

## PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 3, 2020

TO: PVAMU Campus Community

FROM: James M. Palmer Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

SUBJECT: Extension of P/NP Grade Option for Undergraduates - Fall 2020 Semester

In the spring of 2020, a <u>temporary change in grading policy</u> was enacted that permitted the Pass/ Not Pass (P/NP) grading option for undergraduate courses. In recognition of the continued challenges and severe complications brought on by the pandemic, the temporary change in grading policy will extend through the fall 2020 semester.

Grades of C or better are considered to be passing, and grades of D or F are considered not passing. Courses taken for P/NP grades during fall 2020 will count towards curricular, major, academic progress, and graduation requirements.

For fall 8A courses, final grades will be visible by 8 a.m. on October 22. Students must make a P/NP selection by 11:59 p.m. the same day. For all other fall courses, grades will be visible by 5 p.m. on December 14. Students must choose by 5 p.m. on December 15.

Students must make their selection in **PV Place in the "Registrar Forms"** section. The short timeline for selection is needed to allow for Financial Aid and the Registrar to run important processes such as <u>Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)</u> reporting.

Note that while **the NP option** is the equivalent of a D or F and does not factor into the GPA, it does **not allow credit to count toward a degree**. Therefore, the selection of the NP in place of a D must be made with caution. The selection of a P/NP cannot be reversed.

Any student considering the change from graded to P/NP grading should consult with an academic advisor, professional advisor, athletics advisor, or financial aid advisor to understand the implications of the change on one's future plans, including progress toward a degree or financial aid.

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