Letter Grades and Grade Point Equivalents

The following tables list the grades that are used at Baruch College and show how they are calculated to determine the grade point average (GPA), or index.

See explanation of how to compute your GPA

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Baruch uses a 4.0 grade point average (GPA) calculation to determine a student's academic standing.

Grade	Grade Point Equivalent	Percentage Equivalent
А	4.0	93.0-100.0
A-	3.7	90.0-92.9
B+	3.3	87.1-89.9
В	3.0	83.0-87.0
B-	2.7	80.0-82.9
C+	2.3	77.1-79.9
С	2.0	73.0-77.0
C-	1.7	70.0-72.9
D+	1.3	67.1-69.9
D	1.0	60.0-67.0
F	0.0	below 60.0

Explanation

Excellent (A, A-). Paves the way to the Dean's List and Honors. Very good (B+, B, B-). Average (C+, C). Poor (C-, D+, D). Merely passing. Enough of these and you can be dismissed. Failure (F). See the policy on the repetition of failing grades.

Additional Grades

The following grades are also used on the transcript. A definition of each of these grades appears below.

I Given only when the student has earned an average term grade of 50 percent or better for work already completed, but the term's work is incomplete and the instructor agrees that the reason for the lateness is valid. Completed assignments must be handed in to the instructor so that the grade can be resolved by the end of the final examination period of the subsequent semester, or it becomes a grade of FIN, the equivalent of F.

- P Only allowed to students in the Weissman School of Arts and Sciences. Read Pass/Fail option in the Undergraduate Guide to Academic Policies and Procedures and follow the proper procedure. This grade is also used when you complete an ESL course. The P grade is not included in GPA calculation.
- W Withdrawal, provided a WN or WU grade has not been previously submitted by instructor. Can only be given by Registrar's Office or appropriate Committee on Academic Standing. (See academic calendar for deadlines). The W is not designed to keep a student from failing a course. The W is for students who discover that the course is not what they want. Students should not wait until an examination is given to determine if they wish to continue. As soon as they know they are not interested in continuing, they should drop the course. Remember that if the instructor gives a WN or WU (failing grade) before the course has been dropped, the instructor's grade is considered the final grade.
- R Course must be repeated until minimum proficiency is attained. Given in noncredit ESL courses.

A Only for nondegree students (an auditor or listener in the class). No credit granted.

- CR Credit earned (transfer credits, business experience, military service, or exemption credit). Grades in these courses are not included in computation of the scholastic index or in computing class standing. These grades are included to determine eligibility for graduation honors.
- Y An intermediate grade assigned after the first of a two semester, or the first two of a three-semester, Honors sequence to signify work in progress. (Honors courses are numbered 6001H, 6002H, and 6003H.) The Y grade is not included in calculating the grade point average. Each Y grade is replaced by the earned letter grade when the sequence has been completed.
- Z No grade submitted by the instructor (the Z grade is assigned by the Registrar's Office).

P Pending. The PEN grade may be used only when a grade is under review by the academic committees for possible infraction of academic integrity standards.

WA Administrative withdrawal, given when a student fails to document compliance with New York State Public Health Law 2165 regarding measles, mumps, and rubella within 30 days of registration (45 days for international students). This grade does not carry academic penalty.

* Effective Fall 2009 - Spring 2014: Non-punitive (means the same as WN, Never Attended, but not calculated in the GPA); entered by the registrar upon receipt of notice from the faculty that a WN has WN been assigned.

WU Dropped by instructor for excessive absence. A WU should be given if the student has attended at least one class or if there is documented evidence of the student's participation in a course. A WU must be given to freshmen and sophomores for absence in excess of twice the number of weekly hours the class meets and may be given to juniors and seniors. A WU given prior to a student applying for a W takes precedence and counts as an F. A WU may not be used if a student has taken the final examination.