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MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION Senate **DATE** December 8, 2021
FROM Jeff Derksen,
Chair of Senate Graduate Studies
Committee (SGSC)
RE: Graduate General Regulations (GGR) Revisions: GGR 1.5.2



At its meeting on December 7, 2021 SGSC reviewed and approved the revision to GGR 1.5.2 (Competency Grading Basis). The proposal is to remove the Complete (CO) grading basis and change all existing graduate courses from In Progress/Complete to the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grading basis. In Progress (IP) will remain a grade designation. This gives rise to the following motion, effective **Fall 2022**:

Motion 1:

That Senate approve the revisions to GGR 1.5.2(Competency Grading Basis)



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ATTENTION Senate Graduate Studies Committee DATE Nov 4, 2021
FROM Jeff Derksen,
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RE: Remove IP/CO as standalone notations

Since transitioning to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) for thesis and capstones, the use of the notation Complete (CO) is limited. The recommendation is to remove In Progress/Complete (IP/CO) as a "grading basis" and promote using IP in all grading schemes (not just in IP/CO graded courses).

Courses that currently have IP/CO should have their grading basis changed to S/U.

- 1) "Satisfactory" when the student completes all course requirements;
- 2) "Unsatisfactory" when the student is required to withdraw;
- 3) "In Progress" may still be used if the course is going to span over multiple terms or if the student decides to leave the program without being required to withdraw.

Motion:

That SGSC approve grading change from In Progress/Complete to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory for the following graduate courses:

- BISC 892 PhD Graduate Candidacy Exam
- BPK 897 PhD Seminar
- ~~BUS 717* Essays (completion)~~
- BUS 728 Research Practicum
- ~~BUS 781* Applied Project (Completion)~~
- BUS 796 Business Plan I
- BUS 797 Business Plan II
- ~~BUS 819* Final Project GAWM Students~~
- ~~BUS 820* Final Project (Completion)~~
- BUS 880 SIAS
- ~~BUS 898* MBA Thesis~~
- BUS 993 Thesis Proposal
- ~~BUS 998* Research Project (Completion)~~
- ~~BUS 999* MBA Research Project~~

CMNS 893	MA Project
CMNS 894	MA Extended Essay
CMNS 895	Comprehensive Exam
CMNS 8CC	CMNS Grad Dual-Degree
CMNS 8DD	CMNS Grad Dual-Degree
CRIM 885*	Master's Project
CRIM 890	PhD Thesis Prospectus
ECO 600	Ecological Restoration
ECON 997*	MA Exam
ECON 998*	Extended Essays
EDUC 880*	Master's Project (Completion)
EDUC 897*	Master's Thesis (Completion)
EDUC 927	Doctoral Seminar A
EDUC 928	Doctoral Seminar B
ENGL 892	PhD Field Exam One
ENGL 893	PhD Field Exam Two
ENGL 894	PhD Thesis Prospectus
ENGL 898*	M.A. Thesis
ENGL 999*	Ma Paper/Project
EXCH 991	External or Internal Transfer
EXCH 992	External or Internal Transfer
EXCH 993	External or Internal Transfer
EXCH 994	External or Internal Transfer
EXCH 995	External or Internal Transfer
EXCH 996	External Or Internal Transfer
FREN 896	Thesis Proposal
GRAD 700	Cotutelle (CoPhD) Research
GRAD 850	Dual Degree Enrollment
GSWS 811	Prof Dev Colloquium I
GSWS 812	Prof Dev Colloquium II
GSWS 899*	MA Extended Essays
GSWS 997	PhD Comprehensive
HIST 860	Comprehensive Field 1
HIST 861	Comprehensive Field 2
HIST 862	Comprehensive Field 3
HIST 900*	Research Project
HSCI 886	MSc Thesis Proposal
HSCI 888*	MSc Thesis Completion
HSCI 895*	Project Completion
HSCI 896*	Thesis Completion
HSCI 998*	PhD Defence
IART 898*	MASc Project/Paper
IART 899*	PhD Thesis
INS 898	Master's Thesis
ITEC 898*	Masc Project/Paper
ITEC 899*	Phd Thesis
MBA 696*	Appl Strategic Anal
MIL 809*	Internship Project Completion
NEUR 802	TRAIN Workshop

ONC 510		Seminars in Oncology
PHYS 801		Student Seminar
PLCY 850		Co-op
PLCY 899*		Capstone Project Completion
POL 896		Phd Comprehensive Ex
PPH 897*		MSc Project
PPH 898*		Practicum Completion
PUB 899		Publishing Internship/Project
SA 896*		Ma Extended Essays
SA 897		MA Research Project
SEE 898		MASc Thesis
SEE 899		PhD Thesis

~~All courses with * are temporarily withdrawn, and have been included should they be reinstated.~~

Calendar Entry Change for Graduate General Regulation 1.5.2

<p>Summary of change:</p> <p>The proposal is to remove the Complete (CO) grading basis and change all existing graduate courses from In Progress/Complete to the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grading basis. In Progress (IP) will remain a grade designation.</p>
<p>Rationale for change:</p> <p>The In Progress/Complete (IP/CO) grading basis does not accurately reflect the possible graduate course outcomes. If students complete graduate coursework, but do not meet course learning outcomes, an IP is not an appropriate grade notation. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grading basis better encompasses possible course outcomes for students.</p>
<p>Effective term and year:</p> <p>Fall 2022</p>
<p>Will this change impact current students? If yes, what is the plan for current students?</p> <p>Students will receive S/U grading on their transcript.</p>

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<p>[...]</p> <p>1.5.2 Competency Grading Basis</p> <p>This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes. The grade shall be entered on the transcript but is not used in calculating the student's CGPA.</p> <p>In Progress (IP) Complete (CO) Satisfactory (S) Unsatisfactory (U) Unsatisfactory, Academic Discipline (UD)</p> <p>IP Grades</p>	<p>[...]</p> <p>1.5.2 Competency Grading Basis</p> <p>This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes. The grade shall be entered on the transcript but is not used in calculating the student's CGPA.</p> <p>In Progress (IP) Satisfactory (S) Unsatisfactory (U) Unsatisfactory, Academic Discipline (UD)</p> <p>IP Grades</p>

The designation IP (in progress) will be given when a student will be taking a course over multiple terms. An IP remains on a student's transcript even when they complete the course successfully in a later term. ~~If a student does not complete a course graded on an in progress (IP) or complete (CO) basis, an IP still is given.~~

CO Grades

~~The designation CO (complete) will be given when a course is graded on an in progress (IP) or complete (CO) basis is completed.~~

[...]

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[...]