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## MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION Senate DATE May 2, 2019  
 FROM Jeff Derksen,  
 Chair of Senate Graduate Studies  
 Committee (SGSC)  
 RE: Grading of capstone courses

**For information:**

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of April 12, 2019, SGSC approved the grading change to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory for the following graduate capstone courses, effective **Spring 2020**:

ARCH 898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
ARCH 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
BISC 656	MET Project	PROJECT
BISC 849	M.P.M. Thesis	THESIS
BISC 898	MSc Thesis	THESIS
BISC 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
BPK 898	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
BPK 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
BUS 696	Applied Project	PROJECT
BUS 713	Essays	EXTESSAYS
BUS 727	MBA Internship	INTERNSHIP
BUS 780	Applied Project	PROJECT
BUS 992	PhD Thesis	THESIS
CA 829	Essays Comp Media Arts	EXTESSAYS
CA 898	M.F.A. Grad. Project	PROJECT
CHEM 898	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
CHEM 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
CMNS 896	MA Extended Essays	EXTESSAYS
CMNS 897	MA Project	PROJECT
CMNS 898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
CMNS 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
CMPT 896	MSc Portfolio	PORTFOLIO
CMPT 897	M.Sc. Project	PROJECT
CMPT 898	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
CMPT 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
CRIM 898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
CRIM 899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
DMED 530	Internship	INTERNSHI

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EASC	898	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
EASC	998	PhD Thesis	THESIS
ECON	990	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
ECON	991	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
ECON	999	M.A. Project	PROJECT
EDUC	881	Project	PROJECT
EDUC	886	MA Thesis	THESIS I
EDUC	898	Master's Thesis	THESIS
EDUC	899	Doctoral Thesis	THESIS
ENGL	890	MA Thesis	THESIS
ENGL	891	MA Paper/Project	PROJECT
ENGL	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
ENSC	870	MEng Course Portfolio	PORTFOLIO
ENSC	896	M.Eng. Project (Completion)	PROJECT
ENSC	897	M.Eng. Project	PROJECT
ENSC	898	M.A.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
ENSC	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
FREN	897	MA Project	PROJECT
FREN	898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
FREN	999	Field Examination	FEXAM
GEOG	697	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
GEOG	698	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
GEOG	699	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
GERO	898	Project	PROJECT
GERO	899	MA Thesis	THESIS
GERO	998	PhD Thesis	THESIS
GSWS	898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
GSWS	998	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
GSWS	999	M.A. Field Exam	FEXAM
HIST	898	MA Thesis	THESIS
HIST	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
HSCI	887	MSc Thesis	THESIS
HSCI	897	MPH Project	PROJECT
HSCI	898	MSc Thesis	THESIS
HUM	803	MA Thesis	THESIS
IAT	897	MA Thesis	THESIS
IAT	898	MSc Thesis	THESIS
IAT	899	PhD Dissertation	THESIS
INS	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
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LAS	898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
LING	893	FNL MA Project	PROJECT
LING	898	M.A. Thesis	THESI
LING	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
LS	898	Graduating Seminar	SEMINAR
LS	990	Extended Essays (Completion)	EXTESSAYS
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PHIL	898	M.A. Thesis	THESI
PHIL	899	Non-Thesis Project	PROJECT
PHIL	998	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
PHYS	898	M.Sc. Thesis	THESIS
PHYS	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
POL	895	Extended Essays	EXTESSAYS
POL	897	Field Exam/M.A.	FEXAM
POL	898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
POL	899	PhD Thesis Research	THESIS
PSYC	898	MA Thesis	THESIS
PSYC	899	PhD Thesis	THESI
PUB	897	Internship Proj Rep Completion	PROJECT
PUB	898	Internship Project Supervision	PROJEC
REM	697	MRM Thesis	THESIS
REM	699	Research Project	PROJECT
REM	899	PhD Thesis	THESIS
SA	898	M.A. Thesis	THESIS
SA	899	Ph.D. Thesis	THESIS
STAT	898	MSc Project	THES/PROJ
STAT	899	PhD Thesis	THESIS
URB	697	Research Project	PROJECT
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**ATTENTION** Senate Graduate Studies Committee      **DATE** April 4, 2019  
**FROM** Jeff Derksen,  
 Chair of Senate Graduate Studies  
 Committee (SGSC)  
**RE:** Grading of capstone courses


**Rationale:**

The standard practice for capstone courses, including all thesis courses, is that they are graded In Progress or Complete (IP/CO). If a student does not complete their course requirements, the IP grade will remain on the transcript. The proposal to change the grading basis to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) as it will allow three graduate outcomes:

- 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 to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory for the following graduate capstone courses:

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