ANU Semester 1, 2020 Grading System – Frequently Asked Questions
About the Semester 1, 2020 Grading System

What is the Semester 1, 2020 Grading System?
We recognise that Semester 1, 2020 has been a very disruptive time for you and your learning. To assist students during this time, a new grading system has been developed for Semester 1, 2020.

This new grading system will allow you to opt-in to change your grades to either:

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<th>Course Requirements Satisfied (CRS)</th>
<th>Instead of a passing grade e.g. High Distinction (HD), Distinction (D), Credit (C), Pass (P) or Pass at a Supplementary Exam (PS)</th>
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<td>Course Requirements Not Satisfied (CRN)</td>
<td>Instead of a fail grade e.g. Fail (N) or Not Completed/Fail (NCN)</td>
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The opt-in periods are strictly limited. Students should carefully consider this offer and their personal circumstances, noting you cannot roll-back to your original mark/grade in the future.

Students with an interim grade e.g. DA, PX or RP or an assessment appeal will be provided an opportunity to opt-in to the new grading system at a later date. Further information on this process will be provided on this webpage.

Please note, the new grading system is optional. This means that if you are happy with any final grade you have received for Semester 1, 2020, you do not have to change to a CRS or CRN grade.

Will this grading system be applied for Semester 1, 2020 only, or will it be for the whole year?
At this stage, the University has decided to apply this grading system for Semester 1, 2020 only.

Eligibility

Who is eligible for the Semester 1, 2020 Grading System?
Any current ANU student enrolled in a coursework course in Semester 1, 2020 will be eligible to opt-in for the new grading system. This includes domestic and international students, and undergraduate, postgraduate and HDR students (coursework courses only).

Please note, some courses will not be eligible due to academic requirements, and these will be identified by your Academic College.

eForm Opt-in Process

How can I opt-in for a CRS or CRN grade?
Students can elect to opt-in for the new grading system via an eForm, which will be made available after Semester 1, 2020 grades are released on 9 July 2020.

The form will be available on this page: https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/semester-1-2020-grading-system.
In the meantime, you can choose to register your interest by sending an email to Student Central. You’ll receive an email notification once the eForm has been made available. Please remember to use your ANU student email account.

**When will the opt-in eForm close?**
The opt-in eForm will be available from 9 July 2020. It will close at **11:59 pm, 16 July 2020.**

**Why do I need to complete the opt-in eForm to get a CRS or CRN grade?**
You have the option to opt-in to new grading system for Semester 1, 2020. A simple eForm is required so that you have the opportunity to identify which course grade/s you would like to convert to CRS or CRN.

Completing the eForm also formally acknowledges to the University that you agree to making the grade change.

**Important information about Academic Progress**

**Will the CRS and CRN grades affect my GPA?**
The CRS/CRN grades will not be included in GPA calculations nor will they affect your academic progression. If you need specific academic information or advice, we recommend that you speak to your Academic College.

**How do the CRS and CRN grades impact my progression requirements?**
Courses with a CRS grade will count towards the completion of your program requirements.

**How will ANU communicate the Semester 1, 2020 Grading System to other universities and organisations for degree verification?**
Information on the new grading system is reflected on both the [Grading Scale webpage](#) and the [Grade Point Average (GPA) webpage](#).

**Can I change my mind after opting-in for a CRS and/or CRN grade?**
Once the change to your grade/s has been made, there will not be an opportunity to convert back to the original grade.

**Your Academic Transcript**

If I opt-in to convert my grade/s to either CRS or CRN, will my transcript still show a numerical mark for that course?
If you opt-in for the new grading scheme, your academic transcript will not display the numerical mark for your course.

I have an interim grade (e.g. DA, PX, RP) for my Semester 1 course. Can I still opt-in once the grade has been resolved?
Yes, students who have interim grades will be given an opportunity to opt-in to convert their grades to CRS or CRN when the course grade is finalised.
Students Impacted by the Mainland China Travel Restrictions

If I fail a course in Semester 1, am I still able to opt-in for a CRS or CRN grade and remain eligible for the Hardship Scholarship and Special Dispensation?

Yes, students who opt-in for a CRS or CRN grade will still be eligible for the Hardship Scholarship and Special Dispensation for any repeat courses.

Additional Information

If you require additional information or further advice, please get in touch with Student Central.