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:

| Course Requirements Satisfied (CRS) | Instead of a passing grade e.g. High Distinction (HD), Distinction (D), Credit (C), Pass (P) or Pass at a Supplementary Exam (PS) |
| Course Requirements Not Satisfied (CRN) | Instead of a fail grade e.g. Fail (N) or Not Completed/Fail (NCN) |

Students with an interim grade e.g. DA, PX or RP will be given an opportunity to opt-in for the new grading system at a later date, once their course grade is finalised.

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 can elect to opt-in for the new 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?
No. The CRS and CRN grades will not be included in any GPA calculations.

How do the CRS and CRN grades impact my progression requirements?
CRS and CRN grades will not be included in academic progression or repeat course 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?
No, your academic transcript will not display the 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.