

How to Calculate Grades

M-1

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Year-long Courses (Two-Semesters)

*One grade is given at the end of the Academic Year, despite the fact that these are two-semester courses.

*Each point on examinations counts as a point toward the final grade. [Histology is an exception. In addition to exam points the quiz scores, (point for point,) are added to the final tally.]

*At the end of the Academic Year, all points are added up and divided by the maximum number of points achievable. This is the percent score. If it is above the Minimum Pass Level (MPL), the student has passed the course.

*If, at the end of the Academic Year, the student has not achieved or exceeded the MPL, each semester's performance is determined by adding the points achieved in the Fall Semester and adding the points achieved in the Spring Semester. The student may be required to take a Makeup Examination for either or both semesters, depending on the achievement level. Another factor in this calculation is the Grading Policy which can be found on the Student Affairs Web Page.

*Anatomy and Immuno-Micro (IMM) have skills examinations connected with their laboratory experiences. You must pass these examinations in order to pass these courses.

One-Semester Courses

*The grade is assigned at the completion of the coursework.

*Each point on examinations counts as a point toward the final grade.

*At the end of the semester, all points are added up and divided by the maximum number of points achievable. This is the percent score. If it is above the MPL, the student has passed the course. If not, the student takes a Makeup Examination (if other requirements according to policy are met.)

*Neurosciences has small group laboratory experiences called, Neuroscience Interactive Learning Experience (NILEs), which students must attend and complete.

Grades Assigned

O = Outstanding

S = Satisfactory

U = Unsatisfactory