Starting last fall, the university moved to a new grading scale. Here is what you need to know.

• Grades are the common language used across institutions to indicate student mastery of a subject. Our previous scale did not match the language of other institutions, and was often mistranslated.

• Faculty determine how letter grades are earned. Check with your department to see if there are additional guidelines for your unit or discipline.

• Letter grades are a representation of student achievement/learning. These letter grades are ‘translated’ into honor points, used to calculate a student’s GPA, by the registrar.

• A grade of a ‘B-’ is not sufficient to pass graduate level coursework.

• A grade of a ‘C-’ is not sufficient to pass many key undergraduate courses.

• If in your judgement a student has sufficient mastery to proceed to the next course, or to continue in their major, then the lowest appropriate grade is a C (2.0) for an undergraduate, and a B (3.0) for a graduate student.

New Grading Scale: Effective Fall 2018

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