

Miscellaneous Change Request

Curricular Approval Request System

New Miscellaneous Request

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Changes proposed by: brwhite

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Request Type Other

Title Grade Scale Changes

Description Please see attachment

Supporting
Documentation [grade scale.pdf](#)

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Reviewer Comments

sandra-williams (05/01/19 9:22 am): Moving request forward, however, please add a rationale for the change under the description field.

sandra-williams (05/08/19 4:46 pm): Please include confirmation that the listed grading scale will use the current grade point values for the assigned letter grades. If there is deviation, it also needs to be specified in the attachment.

pcdechow (05/13/19 11:58 am): sandra-williams (05/01/19 9:22 am): Moving request forward, however, please add a rationale for the change under the description field. The rationale for the change is to bring us into closer compliance with what is done in many other dental schools. It is thought overall that the plus grades are a distraction and we wished to use a grading scale that does not disadvantage our students. For instance, most dental schools give an "A" as 90-100, whereas our standard was 93-100, thus putting our students at a disadvantage to other schools in obtaining a higher GPA. On the low end of the grading scale, we decided to remove the "D" grade as there is a standard of 75% needed for passing on all boarding and national tests. Thus, some of our courses, in particular the senior dental school year (D4) had already dropped a grade of "D" (70-75) and require a 75% or "C" grade to indicate competency. We have decided to extend this practice to the whole college. sandra-williams (05/08/19 4:46 pm): Please include confirmation that the listed grading scale will use the current grade point values for the assigned letter grades. If there is deviation, it also needs to be specified in the attachment. Yes, the listed grading scale will use the current grade point values for the assigned letter grades.

In Workflow

1. Curricular Services
2. CLDN Department Head PD
3. DN College Dean PD
4. GC Preparer
5. GC Chair
6. Faculty Senate Preparer
7. Faculty Senate
8. Provost II
9. President
10. Curricular Services

Approval Path

1. 05/01/19 9:22 am
Sandra Williams
(sandra-williams):
Approved for Curricular Services
2. 05/07/19 6:23 pm
Paul Dechow
(pcdechow): Approved for CLDN Department Head PD
3. 05/07/19 6:37 pm
Paul Dechow
(pcdechow): Approved for DN College Dean PD
4. 07/03/19 10:02 am
LaRhesa Johnson
(lrjohnson): Approved for GC Preparer
5. 07/29/19 9:53 am
LaRhesa Johnson
(lrjohnson): Approved for GC Chair

Key: 165

Memorandum

To: Texas A&M Registrar's Office

From: Dr. Paul C. Dechow

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Date: April 11, 2019

Re: Grading Scale Changes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Paul C. Dechow'.

Effective June 3, 2019 grade scoring will only include the following:

A= 90-100%

B= 80-89%

C= 75-79%

F= < 75%

Grade scoring will no longer include (+), (-), or the letter grade of "D."

These changes were approved by the College of Dentistry Administrative Council on October 5, 2018.

Please contact us if any other information is needed from the Office of Academic Affairs.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

PCD: br

Cc: Taryn Walker, Student Affairs, College of Dentistry