

Computing Your Grade Point Average

Now that you'll be getting the grades you've always wanted let's see how to compute your grade point average.

Francis Marion University's grades are based on a 4-point scale, where the numbers represent each grade accordingly:

A= 4.0 B+= 3.5 B=3.0 C+= 2.5 C=2.0 D+=1.5 F=0

The steps for computing your grade point average:

1. Multiply the number you received in the class by the number of credit hours for that course.
2. Repeat this for all of your classes. (Including F's)
3. Then add the numbers you calculated for the classes to get your total points earned for the term.
4. The last step is to divide the total number of points earned by the number of credit hours you took during that term.
5. A "W", "IN", or a "CO" is not included as semester hours taken in computation of grade point average.

For example, imagine you earned the following grades:

Class	Credit Hours	Grade	Calculations	
Economics 201	3 Credits	B+	=3.5 x 3	= 10.5
World History 101	3 Credits	A	=4.0 x 3	= 12.0
Art 101	3 Credits	B	=3.0 x 3	= 9.0
Spanish 101	3 Credits	F	=0 x 3	= 0
Biology 101	4 Credits	B+	=3.5 x 4	= 14.0
Total	16 Credits			= 45.5

Semester GPA: $45.5 \div 16$ credits = **2.843**

*** If you are repeating a course, please refer to the university catalog as to how the repeated course is calculated into your grade point average. (see: repeating courses in catalog)**