

Grades in graduate study have the following meanings.

- A** (4 quality points per semester hour) superior performance.
- A-** (3.7 quality points per semester hour) very good performance.
- B+** (3.3 quality points per semester hour) above satisfactory performance.
- B** (3 quality points per semester hour) satisfactory performance.
- B-** (2.7 quality points per semester hour) less than satisfactory performance.
- C+** (2.3 quality points per semester hour) less than satisfactory performance.
- C** (2 quality points per semester hour) performance below the standard expected of graduate students.
- D** (1 quality point per semester hour) clearly unsatisfactory performance and cannot be used to satisfy degree requirements.
- F** (no quality points) extremely unsatisfactory performance and cannot be used to satisfy degree requirements.
- I** (no quality points) a temporary grade indicating that the student has performed satisfactorily in the course but, due to unforeseen circumstances, has been unable to finish all requirements. An I is not given to enable a student to do additional work to raise a deficient grade. The instructor, in consultation with the student, decides the terms for the removal of the I, including the time limit for removal. If the I is not removed within one calendar year, the grade will be changed to an F. The course will not be counted in the cumulative grade point average until a final grade is assigned. No student may graduate with an I on the record.
- S/NC** (carries credit hours, but no quality points) S is equivalent to a grade of B or better, and NC means no credit earned. A grade of Satisfactory/No Credit is allowed only where indicated in the course description in the *Graduate Catalog*. The number of Satisfactory/No Credit courses in a student's program is limited to one-fourth of the total credit hours required.
- P/NP** (carries credit hours, but no quality points) P indicates progress toward completion of a thesis or dissertation. NP indicates no progress or inadequate progress.
- W** (carries no credit hours or quality points) indicates that the student officially withdrew from the course.