

Choosing the Pass/No Pass Option for MAS Majors

All students with the exception of Accelerated Online program students have been given the option to choose either **Pass/No Pass OR Letter Grades** for the Spring 2020 semester. To help you make this important decision, we offer the following advice about choosing Pass/No Pass specifically for students majoring in MAS in addition to the general [FAQs](#) guidance provided by the university for all students.

There are **NO COURSES** required for the degree program in MAS that **MUST** be taken for a letter grade.

If you are concerned about your GPA for purposes of graduate school or professional programs than read the following carefully. For further advisement, consult with the MAS undergraduate coordinator or graduate program coordinator.

How the Pass/No Pass option will affect your overall grade point average.

- **If the letter grade you receive as a final grade in the course is an A**, then taking the letter grade is the better choice for you. The A grade will add value to your GPA, but the Pass grade you would receive for an A will not add anything to your GPA.
- **If the letter grade you receive as a final grade in the course is a B or C**, then you should consider carefully whether the addition of the grade will lower or raise your GPA. This is calculated on the number of credit hours you have now. If a B, and the 3.0 will improve your GPA, then keep the letter grade. If a C, and the 2.0 will improve your GPA, then keep the letter grade. If either of these will decrease your GPA, then the Pass grade you would receive will not affect your GPA in any way, so it is the better choice.
- **If the letter grade you receive as a final grade in the course is a D or F**, then you should choose the Pass/No Pass option. The No Pass grade you will receive for a D or F will not affect your GPA; this is a better choice for you.

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