

Rutgers Learning Centers

At Camden Campus

YOUR GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

YOUR GPA CAN AFFECT LATER PLANS FOR GRADUATE OR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL

GRADE	GRADE POINT VALUE	X	NUMBER OF CREDITS	=	GRADE POINTS EARNED
A	4.00	X	_____	=	_____
B+	3.50	X	_____	=	_____
B	3.00	X	_____	=	_____
C+	2.50	X	_____	=	_____
C	2.00	X	_____	=	_____
D	1.00	X	_____	=	_____
F	0.00	X	_____	=	_____
TOTAL			_____		_____
TOTAL GRADE POINTS EARNED	_____		TOTAL CREDITS _____	=	GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____

⇒ Do not count Pass/Fail or No Credit courses

⇒ Many freshman classes (100 level) have a repeat option. This means that if a student receives a D or F in a course that has been designated with the repeat option symbol, an R following the listing in the course description of the catalog, that student may repeat the course in the next regular term in which it is offered. Both grades will appear on the student's transcript, but only the better of the two grades will be computed in the GPA. Also, count the credits for the course only one time.

⇒ Students doing poorly in a class may drop the class until the end of the eighth full week of the term without academic penalty. A "W" grade will appear on transcripts.

⇒ **Your first semester is very important; it is the basic building block for your GPA.** If you do not do well in the first semester, you will receive a low GPA, which is very difficult to raise. One student did very well during her first semester, receiving a 3.25. Before her second semester began, there was a death in her immediate family. Although she did not do badly during her second semester, she did not do as well as her first, being distracted and sad. After that semester, her GPA was at 3.0. She decided to take two summer classes. Summer classes are demanding, and she did not do as well as she had hoped to do. Her cumulative GPA dropped to 2.75. It took this student *two years, in which she did well in all of her subjects*, to raise her GPA back to a 3.0.

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