

University Academic Council and Kenya Academic Council / Senate has approved the following one-time, one-semester change to the University's grading scheme and, as result, will be implemented for the 2020 January – May academic semester / term.

LIMITED-TERM PASS / FAIL GRADING

For the current academic session, the University will alter its grading system for all courses from marking on a letter grade basis to marking courses on a Pass / Fail basis. This will apply to all University academic programmes with the exception of the Master of Medicine programmes (Kenya and Tanzania which already mark on a Pass / Fail basis) and those programmes that are required to assign a letter / percentage grade by accreditation- / professional-body regulation.

NOTES:

1. If any programme (with the exception of the MMed programme) believes that they should be exempted from the Limited-Term Pass / Fail Grading ruling, please contact Lou Ariano.
2. Unless your programme has been exempted from the Limited-Term Pass / Fail Grading scheme, you must report the final grade in your courses as either “P” or “F”.
3. Students receiving a “P” grade in a course will receive the course-relevant number of credits towards her/his degree programme.
4. Pass / Fail grades are not used in the calculation of Grade Point Averages (GPA) or Cumulative Grade Point Averages (CGPA) and thus student averages will not be impacted by the grades they receive during the current semester / term.
5. As a student's GPAs and CGPAs will not change for the current semester / term, any student who is on academic probation and was informed that s/he was required to raise her/his average by the end of the current semester / term, will be granted a one-semester / one-term extension to this requirement.
6. Where an academic unit normally awards a course-based certificate/citation at Awards Night for any course taken during the current semester / term, for example, an award for the highest grade, this award will not be presented for 2020.

If you have any other questions regarding the implementation of this grading scheme, please contact Gulzar Meghani (gulzar.meghani@aku.edu) or Lou Ariano (louis.ariano@aku.edu).