

National Sun Yat-Sen University

Guidelines for Evaluation of Students' Academic Performance

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- Article 1 The letter grading system is implemented for students who have entered the university since 2011. The Guidelines are established for evaluation of students' academic performance.
- Article 2 A teacher may evaluate the student for his/her presence/absence, ordinary tests, midterm examination and final examination based on the syllabus.
- Article 3 A teacher may evaluate the academic performance of a student in the following ways:
- (1) The academic performance of the student during a semester can be evaluated using the "letter grading system" or "percentage evaluation system".
 - (2) The result of the degree examination is evaluated by all committee members present at the meeting with a single grade. The students who have entered the university since 2010 (incl.) are subject to the percentage evaluation system, while the students who have entered the university since 2011 (incl.) are subject to the letter grading system.
- Article 4 Evaluation of students' academic performance and conversion of the grades are specified as follows:
- (1) The grades of a student who has discontinued study or graduated from the university before 2010 (incl.) will not be changed.
 - (2) The grades of a student who has entered the university before 2010 (incl.) and/or a student who has transferred to the university since 2011 is calculated based on the "percentage evaluation system":
 1. Before implementation of the letter grading system, the academic performance of each course in a semester has been evaluated based on the percentage evaluation system and the grade has been kept unchanged. After implementation of the letter grading system, the grade for the academic performance of each course in a semester is still recorded and retained based on the percentage evaluation system. If the teacher evaluates the academic performance using the letter grades, they will be converted into the "interval and intermediate values of the percentage evaluation system" according to the "Comparison List of the Letter Grading System vs. Percentage Evaluation System for a Single Course" (Table 1).
 2. The ranking of the grades has been calculated based on the "percentage evaluation system" before implementation of the letter grading system. After implementation of the letter grading system, however, the ranking of the grades for a single course is determined according to the evaluation basis that

the teacher uses, while the ranking of other items is determined based on the percentage evaluation system.

3. The GPA (Grade Point Average) of the yearly average grade shown on the English transcript is calculated with 4.0 as the highest accumulated points.
- (3) The grade of the student who has entered the university since 2011 (incl.) is recorded based on the “letter grading system”:
1. A teacher who evaluates the academic performance based on the percentage evaluation system is requested to convert grade to letter grades according to the “Comparison List of the Letter Grading System vs. Percentage Evaluation System for a Single Course” (Table 1).
 2. Ranking of the grades for a single course is determined according to the evaluation basis that the teacher uses, while the ranking of other items is determined based on the GPA of the yearly average grade. In case of the same GPA values, the ranking is determined based on the average grade GPA of the specialized courses that the department/institute (section, degree program) requires.
- (4) The student who has entered the university before 2010 (incl.) and applied for suspension of schooling or extension of the study period thereafter will be ranked along with the students entering the university after 2011 (incl.). In this case:
Ranking of the grades for a single course is determined according to the evaluation basis that the teacher uses. For the ranking of other items, the grade is determined according to the percentage evaluation system and converted to the letter grade according to the “Comparison List of the Letter Grading System vs. Percentage Evaluation System for a Single Course” (Table 1). It is then ranked along with the students entering the university after 2011 (incl.) based on GPA of the yearly average grade. In case of the same GPA values, the ranking is determined based on the average grade GPA of the specialized courses that the department/institute (section, degree program) requires.

Article 5 For the percentage evaluation of the academic performance, the “Comparison List of Percentage vs. Average Grade GPA” is established in Table 2 for reference.

Article 6 The Guidelines are implemented after being approved at the meeting of academic affairs. The same procedure is applicable to the amendment of the Guidelines.

(These guidelines are enacted in Chinese, which shall prevail in case of any discrepancy between the English translation and the Chinese original.)

Table 1 Comparison List of the Letter Grading System vs. Percentage Evaluation System for a Single Course

Letter grading system		Percentage evaluation system	
Grade	Grade point	Grade	Grade point
A+	4.3	90~100	95
A	4.0	85~89	87
A-	3.7	80~84	82
B+	3.3	77~79	78
B	3.0	73~76	75
B- (Graduate student pass criterion)	2.7	70~72	71
C+	2.3	67~69	68
C	2.0	63~66	65
C- (Undergraduate pass criterion)	1.7	60~62	61
D	1.0	50~59	55
E	0.8	40~49	45
F	0	Less than 39 (incl.)	20
X	0	0	0

A+: All goals have been achieved and the performance has gone beyond the expectation.

A: All goals have been achieved.

A-: All goals have been achieved, but improvement is needed.

B+: Part of the goals has been achieved with good quality.

B: Part of the goals has been achieved with average quality.

B-: Part of the goals has been achieved with some shortcomings.

C+: The minimum goals have been achieved.

C: The minimum goals have been achieved with some shortcomings.

C-: The minimum goals have been achieved with major shortcomings.

D: The minimum goals have not been achieved.

E: The minimum goals have not been achieved and the performance has been disappointing.

F: No goals have been achieved.

X: No evaluation is made for the performance for whatever reasons (e.g. 0 point for all courses, 0 point due to cheating in the examination)

Table 2 Comparison List of Percentage vs. Average Grade GPA (only for GPA vs. percentage)

GPA	Corresponding %	Difference	GPA	Corresponding %	Difference	GPA	Corresponding %	Difference	GPA	Corresponding %	Difference	GPA	Corresponding %	Difference	GPA	Corresponding %	Difference			
4.3	100		3.67	83.63	0.12	3.04	76.40	0.1	2.41	69.83	0.07	1.78	61.6	0.2	1.15	52.14	0.15	0.52	26.00	0.5
4.29	99.63	0.37	3.66	83.50	0.13	3.03	76.30	0.1	2.40	69.75	0.08	1.77	61.4	0.2	1.14	52.00	0.14	0.51	25.50	0.5
4.28	99.27	0.36	3.65	83.38	0.12	3.02	76.20	0.1	2.39	69.68	0.07	1.76	61.2	0.2	1.13	51.86	0.14	0.50	25.00	0.5
4.27	98.90	0.37	3.64	83.25	0.13	3.01	76.10	0.1	2.38	69.60	0.08	1.75	61.00	0.2	1.12	51.71	0.15	0.49	24.50	0.5
4.26	98.53	0.37	3.63	83.13	0.13	3.00	76.00	0.1	2.37	69.53	0.07	1.74	60.80	0.2	1.11	51.57	0.14	0.48	24.00	0.5
4.25	98.17	0.36	3.62	83.00	0.13	2.99	75.87	0.13	2.36	69.45	0.08	1.73	60.60	0.2	1.10	51.43	0.14	0.47	23.50	0.5
4.24	97.80	0.37	3.61	82.88	0.12	2.98	75.73	0.14	2.35	69.38	0.07	1.72	60.40	0.2	1.09	51.29	0.14	0.46	23.00	0.5
4.23	97.43	0.37	3.60	82.75	0.13	2.97	75.60	0.13	2.34	69.3	0.08	1.71	60.20	0.2	1.08	51.14	0.15	0.45	22.50	0.5
4.22	97.07	0.36	3.59	82.63	0.12	2.96	75.47	0.13	2.33	69.23	0.07	1.70	60.00	0.2	1.07	51.00	0.14	0.44	22.00	0.5
4.21	96.70	0.37	3.58	82.5	0.13	2.95	75.33	0.14	2.32	69.15	0.08	1.69	59.86	0.14	1.06	50.86	0.14	0.43	21.50	0.5
4.20	96.33	0.37	3.57	82.38	0.12	2.94	75.20	0.13	2.31	69.08	0.07	1.68	59.71	0.15	1.05	50.71	0.15	0.42	21.00	0.5
4.19	95.97	0.36	3.56	82.25	0.13	2.93	75.07	0.13	2.30	69.00	0.08	1.67	59.57	0.14	1.04	50.57	0.14	0.41	20.50	0.5
4.18	95.60	0.37	3.55	82.13	0.12	2.92	74.93	0.14	2.29	68.90	0.1	1.66	59.43	0.14	1.03	50.43	0.14	0.40	20.00	0.5
4.17	95.23	0.37	3.54	82.00	0.13	2.91	74.80	0.13	2.28	68.80	0.1	1.65	59.29	0.14	1.02	50.29	0.14	0.39	19.50	0.5
4.16	94.87	0.36	3.53	81.88	0.12	2.90	74.67	0.13	2.27	68.70	0.1	1.64	59.14	0.15	1.01	50.14	0.15	0.38	19.00	0.5
4.15	94.50	0.37	3.52	81.75	0.13	2.89	74.53	0.14	2.26	68.60	0.1	1.63	59.00	0.14	1.00	50.00	0.14	0.37	18.50	0.5
4.14	94.13	0.37	3.51	81.63	0.12	2.88	74.4	0.13	2.25	68.50	0.1	1.62	58.86	0.14	0.99	49.50	0.5	0.36	18.00	0.5
4.13	93.77	0.36	3.50	81.50	0.13	2.87	74.27	0.13	2.24	68.40	0.1	1.61	58.71	0.15	0.98	49.00	0.5	0.35	17.50	0.5
4.12	93.40	0.37	3.49	81.38	0.12	2.86	74.13	0.14	2.23	68.30	0.1	1.60	58.57	0.14	0.97	48.50	0.5	0.34	17.00	0.5
4.11	93.03	0.37	3.48	81.25	0.13	2.85	74.00	0.13	2.22	68.20	0.1	1.59	58.43	0.14	0.96	48.00	0.5	0.33	16.50	0.5
4.10	92.67	0.36	3.47	81.13	0.12	2.84	73.87	0.13	2.21	68.10	0.1	1.58	58.29	0.14	0.95	47.50	0.5	0.32	16.00	0.5
4.09	92.30	0.37	3.46	81.00	0.13	2.83	73.73	0.14	2.20	68.00	0.1	1.57	58.14	0.15	0.94	47.00	0.5	0.31	15.50	0.5
4.08	91.93	0.37	3.45	80.88	0.12	2.82	73.60	0.13	2.19	67.90	0.1	1.56	58.00	0.14	0.93	46.50	0.5	0.30	15.00	0.5
4.07	91.57	0.36	3.44	80.75	0.13	2.81	73.47	0.13	2.18	67.80	0.1	1.55	57.86	0.14	0.92	46.00	0.5	0.29	14.50	0.5
4.06	91.20	0.37	3.43	80.63	0.12	2.80	73.33	0.14	2.17	67.70	0.1	1.54	57.71	0.15	0.91	45.50	0.5	0.28	14.00	0.5
4.05	90.83	0.37	3.42	80.5	0.13	2.79	73.20	0.13	2.16	67.60	0.1	1.53	57.57	0.14	0.90	45.00	0.5	0.27	13.50	0.5
4.04	90.47	0.36	3.41	80.38	0.12	2.78	73.07	0.13	2.15	67.50	0.1	1.52	57.43	0.14	0.89	44.50	0.5	0.26	13.00	0.5
4.03	90.10	0.37	3.40	80.25	0.13	2.77	72.93	0.14	2.14	67.40	0.1	1.51	57.29	0.14	0.88	44.00	0.5	0.25	12.50	0.5
4.02	89.73	0.37	3.39	80.13	0.12	2.76	72.80	0.13	2.13	67.30	0.1	1.50	57.14	0.15	0.87	43.50	0.5	0.24	12.00	0.5
4.01	89.37	0.36	3.38	80.00	0.13	2.75	72.67	0.13	2.12	67.20	0.1	1.49	57.00	0.14	0.86	43.00	0.5	0.23	11.50	0.5
4.00	89.00	0.37	3.37	79.88	0.12	2.74	72.53	0.14	2.11	67.10	0.1	1.48	56.86	0.14	0.85	42.50	0.5	0.22	11.00	0.5
3.99	88.83	0.17	3.36	79.75	0.13	2.73	72.40	0.13	2.10	67.00	0.1	1.47	56.71	0.15	0.84	42.00	0.5	0.21	10.50	0.5
3.98	88.67	0.16	3.35	79.63	0.12	2.72	72.27	0.13	2.09	66.90	0.1	1.46	56.57	0.14	0.83	41.50	0.5	0.20	10.00	0.5
3.97	88.50	0.17	3.34	79.50	0.13	2.71	72.13	0.14	2.08	66.80	0.1	1.45	56.43	0.14	0.82	41.00	0.5	0.19	9.50	0.5
3.96	88.33	0.17	3.33	79.38	0.12	2.70	72.00	0.13	2.07	66.70	0.1	1.44	56.29	0.14	0.81	40.50	0.5	0.18	9.00	0.5
3.95	88.17	0.16	3.32	79.25	0.13	2.69	71.93	0.07	2.06	66.60	0.1	1.43	56.14	0.15	0.80	40.00	0.5	0.17	8.50	0.5
3.94	88.00	0.17	3.31	79.13	0.12	2.68	71.85	0.08	2.05	66.50	0.1	1.42	56.00	0.14	0.79	39.50	0.5	0.16	8.00	0.5
3.93	87.83	0.17	3.30	79.00	0.13	2.67	71.78	0.07	2.04	66.40	0.1	1.41	55.86	0.14	0.78	39.00	0.5	0.15	7.50	0.5
3.92	87.67	0.16	3.29	78.90	0.1	2.66	71.70	0.08	2.03	66.30	0.1	1.40	55.71	0.15	0.77	38.50	0.5	0.14	7.00	0.5
3.91	87.50	0.17	3.28	78.80	0.1	2.65	71.63	0.07	2.02	66.20	0.1	1.39	55.57	0.14	0.76	38.00	0.5	0.13	6.50	0.5
3.90	87.33	0.17	3.27	78.70	0.1	2.64	71.55	0.08	2.01	66.10	0.1	1.38	55.43	0.14	0.75	37.50	0.5	0.12	6.00	0.5
3.89	87.17	0.16	3.26	78.60	0.1	2.63	71.48	0.07	2.00	66.00	0.1	1.37	55.29	0.14	0.74	37.00	0.5	0.11	5.50	0.5
3.88	87.00	0.17	3.25	78.50	0.1	2.62	71.40	0.08	1.99	65.80	0.2	1.36	55.14	0.15	0.73	36.50	0.5	0.10	5.00	0.5
3.87	86.83	0.17	3.24	78.40	0.1	2.61	71.33	0.07	1.98	65.60	0.2	1.35	55.00	0.14	0.72	36.00	0.5	0.09	4.50	0.5
3.86	86.67	0.16	3.23	78.30	0.1	2.60	71.25	0.08	1.97	65.40	0.2	1.34	54.86	0.14	0.71	35.50	0.5	0.08	4.00	0.5
3.85	86.50	0.17	3.22	78.20	0.1	2.59	71.18	0.07	1.96	65.20	0.2	1.33	54.71	0.15	0.70	35.00	0.5	0.07	3.50	0.5
3.84	86.33	0.17	3.21	78.10	0.1	2.58	71.10	0.08	1.95	65.00	0.2	1.32	54.57	0.14	0.69	34.50	0.5	0.06	3.00	0.5
3.83	86.17	0.16	3.20	78.00	0.1	2.57	71.03	0.07	1.94	64.80	0.2	1.31	54.43	0.14	0.68	34.00	0.5	0.05	2.50	0.5
3.82	86.00	0.17	3.19	77.90	0.1	2.56	70.95	0.08	1.93	64.60	0.2	1.30	54.29	0.14	0.67	33.50	0.5	0.04	2.00	0.5
3.81	85.83	0.17	3.18	77.80	0.1	2.55	70.88	0.07	1.92	64.40	0.2	1.29	54.14	0.15	0.66	33.00	0.5	0.03	1.50	0.5
3.80	85.67	0.16	3.17	77.70	0.1	2.54	70.80	0.08	1.91	64.20	0.2	1.28	54.00	0.14	0.65	32.50	0.5	0.02	1.00	0.5
3.79	85.50	0.17	3.16	77.60	0.1	2.53	70.73	0.07	1.90	64.00	0.2	1.27	53.86	0.14	0.64	32.00	0.5	0.01	0.50	0.5
3.78	85.33	0.17	3.15	77.50	0.1	2.52	70.65	0.08	1.89	63.80	0.2	1.26	53.71	0.15	0.63	31.50	0.5	0	0	0.5
3.77	85.17	0.16	3.14	77.40	0.1	2.51	70.58	0.07	1.88	63.60	0.2	1.25	53.57	0.14	0.62	31.00	0.5			
3.76	85.00	0.17	3.13	77.30	0.1	2.50	70.50	0.08	1.87	63.40	0.2	1.24	53.43	0.14	0.61	30.50	0.5			
3.75	84.83	0.17	3.12	77.20	0.1	2.49	70.43	0.07	1.86	63.20	0.2	1.23	53.29	0.14	0.60	30.00	0.5			
3.74	84.67	0.16	3.11	77.10	0.1	2.48	70.35	0.08	1.85	63.00	0.2	1.22	53.14	0.15	0.59	29.50	0.5			
3.73	84.5	0.17	3.10	77.00	0.1	2.47	70.28	0.07	1.84	62.80	0.2	1.21	53.00	0.14	0.58	29.00	0.5			
3.72	84.33	0.17	3.09	76.90	0.1	2.46	70.20	0.08	1.83	62.60	0.2	1.20	52.86	0.14	0.57	28.50	0.5			
3.71	84.17	0.16	3.08	76.80	0.1	2.45	70.13	0.07	1.82	62.40	0.2	1.19	52.71	0.15	0.56	28.00	0.5			
3.70	84.00	0.17	3.07	76.70	0.1	2.44	70.05	0.08	1.81	62.20	0.2	1.18	52.57	0.14	0.55	27.50	0.5			
3.69	83.88	0.12	3.06	76.60	0.1	2.43	69.98	0.07	1.80	62.00	0.2	1.17	52.43	0.14	0.54	27.00	0.5			
3.68	83.75	0.13	3.05																	