# 2019-2020 CATALOG | AMENDMENT

Due to the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Spring 2020 semester, the following changes were made to the academic calendar and academic policies.

### **Temporary Credit/No Credit Grading Option**

Texas A&M University-San Antonio has adopted a temporary Credit/No Credit grading option for undergraduate and graduate courses for the Spring 2020 semester, given the transition to remote instruction resulting from COVID-19.

- Students can choose to be graded credit/no credit (CR/NC) or to retain the course's current grading mode (e.g. A, B, C, D, or F).
- For the Spring 2020 term, grades of CR and NC are defined as follows:
  - CR = Credit, equivalent to C or higher (credits count toward degree)
  - NC = No Credit, equivalent to D or F (credits do not count toward degree)
- Courses graded credit/no credit will satisfy degree requirements, provided a grade of CR is earned, but will not be calculated in the GPA.
- To help students determine if the credit/no credit option is right for them, midterm grade rosters will remain open for faculty to enter midterm grades until 5:00 pm, Monday, April 6, 2020.
- Students can check their midterm grades by following these steps:
  - Step I Log into your Jagwire account
  - Step 2 Select 'Classes & Registration'
  - Step 3 Select 'My Personal Information'
  - Step 4 Select 'Midterm Grades'
- Starting April 15, 2020, students will be able to select the credit/no credit option on a course-by-course basis for the Spring 2020 semester. A link and instructions will be sent to your Jaguar email on April 15, 2020.
- Students must make their decision to be graded credit/no credit by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.
- Once the decision is made to be graded credit/no credit, it cannot be changed.
- Students should consult with their academic advisors about how switching to credit/no credit may impact their progress to graduation, eligibility for professional licensure, or their admission to graduate programs in the future.
- Any student who receives grades of NC in all courses for the Spring 2020 term will be required to meet with an Academic Success Coach.
- Students with an academic standing of Academic Probation or Academic Warning who
  choose the credit/no credit option for their classes may remain on academic probation or
  academic warning.
- We are suspending semester honors (Dean's List and President's List) for the Spring 2020 semester.
- A statement will be added to all A&M-San Antonio transcripts that explains this temporary change to grading for Spring 2020.

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### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

### Spring 2020: Regular 16-week Session, p.6

- March 16-22, 2020, Extended Spring Break
- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to drop with an automatic "W"
- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to select CR/NC grade option

### Spring 2020: Flex II Session (Second 8-weeks), p.7

- March 16-22, 2020, Extended Spring Break
- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to drop with an automatic "W"
- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to select CR/NC grade option

#### Spring 2020: Second 5-week Session, p. 8

• March 16-22, 2020, Extended Spring Break

#### Spring 2020: Third 5-week Session, p. 8

- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to drop with an automatic "W"
- May 5, 2020, Tuesday, Last day to select CR/NC grade option

### UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER CREDIT

### Transfer Credit Calculation and Evaluation, p. 35

• Courses for which a grade of "Pass," "Credit," or "Satisfactory" (or equivalent) has been earned may be accepted for transfer provided that the sending institution defines such grades as equivalent to a grade of "C" or higher.

### **ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

#### Senate Bill 1231 and the University's Drop Policy for Undergraduate Students, p. 105

• Spring 2020 courses dropped after March 11, 2020, the date that the university announced all courses would be delivered online, are exempt from counting toward a student's six-drop limit.

#### Grades, p. 109

- *CR* = *Credit*, equivalent to *C* or higher (credits count toward degree)
- NC = No Credit, equivalent to D or F (credits do not count toward degree)
- Courses taken in residence on a credit/no credit basis are not computed in the grade point average and do not influence students' eligibility for academic honors. Provided credit is obtained, these courses will satisfy degree requirements and will count as part of the total needed to graduate.

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Students will indicate their intention to take a course on a credit/no credit basis by the last day of classes. Students will log in to JagWire to do a Change of Grade Mode. Students must make this change for each course that they intend to take on a credit/no credit basis. Once such a declaration is made, it cannot be changed on any account.

### Semester Honors Recognitions, p. III

• Semester Honors will not be awarded in the Spring 2020 semester, due to the temporary implementation of Credit/No Credit grading options.