

AMCAS GRADE CONVERSION GUIDE

The following steps will help you estimate your AMCAS grade point average. These steps will provide you with an *estimated* GPA – **only the GPA calculated and verified by AMCAS will be considered official by the medical schools.** You will be able to view the AMCAS Verified GPA when your application status is “Processed by AMCAS.” You may find additional information about grade conversions in the 2005 Application Instructions available on the AMCAS Web site: www.aamc.org/amcas.

STEP 1 Create a worksheet for each Academic Status (freshman, sophomore, etc.).

STATUS: FRESHMAN

Course	Transcript Grade	AMCAS Grade	AMCAS Weight	x	Semester Hours	=	Quality Points
TOTAL FRESHMAN							

STEP 2 List each of your courses and grades as they appear on your transcript.

STEP 3 Using the Grade Conversion Tables below, select the AMCAS grade and corresponding weight for each class.

STEP 4 If your school uses a quarter hour system, use this table to convert your credits to semester hours. For any other credit system, ask your advisor or Registrar for semester conversion values.

Quarter	Semester	Quarter	Semester
0.5	0.3	5.0	3.3
1.0	0.7	6.0	4.0
1.5	1.0	7.0	4.7
2.0	1.3	8.0	5.3
2.5	1.7	9.0	6.0
3.0	2.0	10.0	6.7
3.5	2.3	12.0	8.0
4.0	2.7	15.0	10.0
4.5	3.0	20.0	13.3

quarter hours x .667

STEP 5 Calculate the Quality Points for each class using the following formula:

$$[\text{AMCAS Weight} \times \text{Semester Hours} = \text{Quality Points}]$$

STEP 6 Estimate your GPA for each Academic Status, using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Total Quality Points}}{\text{Total Semester Hours}}$$

STEP 7 Estimate your Cumulative GPA, using the formula in Step 5. Include undergraduate post-baccalaureate courses in your cumulative undergraduate GPA. Do not include graduate courses in your cumulative GPA – calculate separately.

STEP 8 Highlight all of the courses you classified as biology, chemistry, physics, and math. Use the formula in step 5 to calculate your estimated BCPM GPA.

SAMPLE VERIFIED GPA

The following is a sample of the GPA calculations you will see on your printed application when AMCAS has completed processing:

GRADE POINT AVERAGES						
Academic Status	BCPM		All Others		TOTAL	
	Hours	GPA	Hours	GPA	Hours	GPA
HS						
FR	18	3.47	14	3.79	32	3.61
SO	18	3.67	14	3.11	32	3.42
JR	23	3.30	9	3.83	32	3.45
SR	16	3.63	16	4.00	32	3.81
PBU	16	4.00			16	4.00
CUG	91	3.59	53	3.68	144	3.62
GRAD						

- BCMP:** biology, chemistry, physics, and math
- All Others:** all other classes not classified at biology, chemistry, physics, or math
- HS:** High School
- FR:** Freshman
- SO:** Sophomore
- JR:** Junior
- SR:** Senior
- PBU:** Post-baccalaureate Undergraduate
- CUG:** Cumulative Undergraduate GPA
- GRAD:** Graduate

Grading System Type: Numeric – Percent												
AMCAS Grade AMCAS Weight	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
	100-93	92-90	89-87	86-83	82-80	79-77	76-73	72-70	69-67	66-63	62-60	59-0
	100-90			89-80			79-70			69-60		59-0
	100-94	93-90		89-85			84-75			74-70		69-0
	100-90			89-80			79-70			69-65		64-0
	100-93			92-85			84-77			76-70		69-0
100-90		89-85	84-80		79-75	74-70					69-0	
Grading System Type: Numeric – 4.0												
AMCAS Grade AMCAS Weight	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
	1			2			3			4		5
	4.0			3.0			2.0			1.0		0.0
	1+, 1	1-	2+	2	2-	3+	3	3-	4+	4	4-	5/6
	3.0			2.0			1.0					0.0
Grading System Type: Numeric (4.0) using Halfstep Grades (n.5 weights)												
AMCAS Grade AMCAS Weight	A	AB	B	BC	C	CD	D	DE	F			
	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.0			
	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.0			
4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0			1.0		0.0			
Grading System Type: Numeric – Canadian												
AMCAS Grade AMCAS Weight	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
	100-87	86-80	79-76	75-73	72-70	69-66	65-63	62-60	59-56	55-53	52-50	49-0
	100-84	83-75	74-72	71-69	68-66	65-64	63-62	61-60	59-56	55-53	52-50	49-0
100-87	86-80	79-75	74-70	69-65	64-60	59-55	54-50				49-0	

GPA CALCULATION SHEET

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ SSN: _____
 Last First Middle

You are strongly encouraged to complete and return this form with your Application Materials, to assist in accurate verification of your Academic Record. We suggest that you retain a copy to compare your calculations with the application (AMCAS, AACOMAS, AADSAS, etc.) calculations appearing in your summary. PB=Postbaccalaureate, but not graduate program.

A. CREDIT HOURS AND GPAs--Fill in matrix below. Add Points and Hours for FR, SO, JR, SR and PB to get "TOTAL" line, then divide "TOTAL" points by hours (units) to get Cumulative Undergraduate GPAs and graduate GPAs.

Date Yr to Yr (~24 sem. units/yr)	BCPM (Biol, Chem, Math, Physics)				AO (All Other)				Total							
	Status	Points	Hours (units)	GPA	Status	Points	Hours (units)	GPA	Status	Points	Hours (units)	GPA	Status	Points	Hours (units)	GPA
	FR	_____	_____	_____	FR	_____	_____	_____	FR	_____	_____	_____	FR	_____	_____	_____
	SO	_____	_____	_____	SO	_____	_____	_____	SO	_____	_____	_____	SO	_____	_____	_____
	JR	_____	_____	_____	JR	_____	_____	_____	JR	_____	_____	_____	JR	_____	_____	_____
	SR	_____	_____	_____	SR	_____	_____	_____	SR	_____	_____	_____	SR	_____	_____	_____
	PB	_____	_____	_____	PB	_____	_____	_____	PB	_____	_____	_____	PB	_____	_____	_____
	TOTAL	_____ / _____	_____ = _____	_____ CUG BCPM	TOTAL	_____ / _____	_____ = _____	_____ CUG AO	TOTAL	_____ / _____	_____ = _____	_____ CUG TOTAL	TOTAL	_____ / _____	_____ = _____	_____ CUG TOTAL
	GR	_____	_____	_____	GR	_____	_____	_____	GR	_____	_____	_____	GR	_____	_____	_____

*B. Supplemental Totals (Review Application to determine proper entries below). These do not count in your GPA calculation.

Number of Exempted Courses (Type "EX"): _____ (No Grade or Semester Hours/units Attempted)

Pass/Fail PASS Hours: _____ Advanced Placement Hours (Grade): _____
 Pass/Fail FAIL Hours: _____ CLEP credit Hours (Grade): _____