

GRADES AND GPA

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Grades and Grade Point Average (GPA)

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers' Job Outlook 2013 survey, 78% of employers say they screen for grade point average (GPA). Most of the employers who have a GPA "cutoff" report that they won't consider applicants with less than a 3.000 GPA. In addition to future employers, graduate school admissions officers will also consider GPA.

To be in academic good standing with the University, you are expected to maintain a GPA of at least 2.000; some majors require a higher GPA. Consult the BSU Catalog online (www.bsu.edu/catalog) for the GPA requirement for your major.

Calculating GPA

The GPA is used to evaluate your academic record. Quality points are allocated to grades earned as follows:

A	4.000	B+	3.333	C+	2.333	D+	1.333	F	0.000
A-	3.667	B	3.000	C	2.000	D	1.000		
		B-	2.667	C-	1.667	D-	0.667		

To calculate the GPA, divide the total number of credit points by the total number of credits attempted. For example:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Quality Points</u>	<u>Credits Attempted</u>	<u>Credit Points</u>
ENG 103	B+	3.333	X 3	= 9.999
MATH 125	B	3.000	X 3	= 9.000
HIST 150	C+	2.333	X 3	= 6.999
COMM 210	A-	3.667	X 3	= 11.001
ASTR 100	A	4.000	X 3	= 12.000
			15	48.999

Total Credit Points (48.999) divided by Total Credits Attempted (15) = 3.2666 GPA

Use the chart on the back of this page to calculate your own GPA. An online GPA calculator is also available through the advising website at www.bsu.edu/advising.

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GPA Calculator Chart

Use the following chart to calculate your GPA:

Course	Grade	Quality Points	Credits Attempted	Credit Points
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=
			X	=

Total Credit Points

Total Credits Attempted

My GPA

_____ divided by _____ = _____

Consult the BSU Undergraduate Catalog online (www.bsu.edu/catalog) for any minimum GPA requirements for your major/minor.

An online GPA calculator is also available through DegreeWorks in my.bsu.edu.