

How to Calculate your GPA & Major GPA

The grade point average (GPA) for a single term or overall (cumulative), is calculated from merit points earned divided by graded credits.

Merit points per grade per credit:

A+, A =	4.0 merit points
A- =	3.7 merit points
B+ =	3.3 merit points
B =	3.0 merit points
B- =	2.7 merit points
C+ =	2.3 merit points
C =	2.0 merit points
C- =	1.7 merit points
D+ =	1.3 merit points
D =	1.0 merit points
D- =	0.7 merit points
F =	0 merit points

Non-graded credits:

Pass, Audit, & Short term grades/credits, transfer credit

For example, if your grades for Fall Term, 2001 were:

Course	Credits	Grade	Merit Points
ART 111: Survey of World Art	3	A-	11.10 (3 credits x 3.7 points)
BAC 351: Cost Accounting 1	3	C+	6.9 (3 credits x 2.3)
BAC 147: Business Ethics	3	B-	8.1 (3 credits x 2.7)
HIST 211: Music's Impact on History	3	B	9.00 (3 credits x 3.0)
S 390: Independent Study	2	P	0.00

Earned credits: 14

GPA credits: 12

Merit Point total: 35.1

GPA: 2.93 (35.10 total merit points/12 graded credits = GPA rounds up to two decimal places)

Calculating Your Major GPA

Include the courses that you specified on your major. Multiply the points associated with the grade for each course by the number of units the course earns. For example:

- a one unit course for which your grade was a B+ would equal 3.33 quality points (1 X 3.33)
- a 3 unit course for which your grade was a B+ would equal 9.99 quality points (3 X 3.33)

Add all the merit points together and divide the sum by the **total** number of units the courses in your major are worth. The GPA is shortened after 2 decimal places.

In the example above, if you assume just the 2 courses, you would add

$$3.33 + 9.99 = 13.32$$

$$\text{divide } 13.32 \text{ by } 4 = 3.33 \text{ (} 13.32/4 = 3.33 \text{)}$$

IMPORTANT: For classes taken PASS or FAIL these courses are excluded from all steps of the GPA calculation. Classes transferred from another college do not go into your GPA calculation either.