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**KEY TO TRANSCRIPT OF ACADEMIC RECORDS**

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

The Purdue University calendar is based on the semester system. A standard semester contains approximately 16 weeks of instruction, including final examinations. Summer sessions vary in number, length and format at the various campus locations.

**ACCREDITATION**

Purdue University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and by NCATE. Accreditation covers all courses and programs offered at all campuses of Purdue University. In addition, various schools within the University hold accreditation from their professional accrediting associations.

**CAMPUS LOCATIONS**

**WEST LAFAYETTE** CALUMET  
(Central Campus) Hammond, IN 46323  
West Lafayette, IN 47907 (219) 989-2239  
(765) 494-6165

**IUPU-FORT WAYNE** IUPU-INDIANAPOLIS  
(Joint campus with (Joint campus with  
Indiana University) Indiana University)  
Fort Wayne, IN 46805 Indianapolis, IN 46202  
(260) 481-6815 (317) 274-1501

**NORTH CENTRAL** CONTINUING EDUCATION  
Westville, IN 46391 (Various locations)  
(219) 785-5299 Administered through  
West Lafayette

**TECHNOLOGY STATEWIDE**  
(Various locations)  
Administered through West Lafayette  
School of Technology

**COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM**

Prior to September 1953, courses designated by letter rather than number (e.g., English A) were non-credit. Courses numbered 1 through 99 were primarily for undergraduate credit. Courses numbered 100 through 199 enrolled advanced undergraduate and some graduate students. Courses numbered 200 through 299 were for graduate students.

Since September 1953, the following numbering system has been in effect:

- 001-049 Precollege and deficiency courses
- 050-099 Nondegree courses (e.g., agriculture short courses)
- 100-299 Lower-division courses normally scheduled for freshmen and sophomores
- 300-499 Upper-division courses normally scheduled for juniors and seniors
- 500-599 Dual-level courses that may be scheduled by juniors, seniors and graduate students for graduate credits
- 600-699 Graduate-level courses. In certain circumstances, an undergraduate student may take a 600-level course.

**CREDIT TYPES**

*Regular Credit* - All Purdue University credit is reported in terms of semester hours, whether earned during a 16-week semester or a summer session.

*Thesis Credit* - Although thesis research courses (698 and 699) officially show "0" in the CR column, a measure of the time the student devoted to the thesis research, compared to the time required for a normal course, is included in the course title area.

**GRADING SYSTEMS**

The following grades and index points are included in the computation of scholastic indexes appearing on this transcript:

- Scale 1: Fall 1942 to Spring 1953
- Scale 2: Summer 1953 to Spring 1993
- Scale 3: Summer 1993 to Spring 2002
- Scale 4: Summer 2002 to Present

Scale 1 Gr.	Scale 2 Gr. Pts.	Scale 3 Gr. Pts.	Scale 4 Gr. Pts.	Definition
6	A - 6	A - 4	A - 4	Highest Passing Grade
5	B - 5	B - 3	B - 3	
4	C - 4	C - 2	C - 2	
3	D - 3	D - 1	D - 1	Lowest Passing Grade
2	E - 2	E - 0	E - 0	Conditional Failure
1	F - 2	F - 0	F - 0	Failure
	IF - 2	IF - 0	IF - 0	Unremoved Incomplete- Failing (eff. Fall 1977)
	WF - 2	WF - 0		Withdrew Failing

The following grades are not included in the computation of scholastic indexes:

*Regular Grade Option*

- I - Incomplete
- O - Incomplete (obsolete eff. Summer 1977)
- IX - Permanent Incomplete
- WF - Withdrew Failing

*Pass/Not-Pass Option*

- P - Passing, equivalent to "C" or higher
- N - Not Passing
- PI - Incomplete
- PO - Incomplete (obsolete eff. Summer 1977)
- IN - Unremoved Incomplete - Not Passing
- WN - Withdrew Not Passing

*Zero-Credit Courses* (including thesis credits)

- S - Satisfactory
- U - Unsatisfactory
- SI - Incomplete
- IU - Unremoved Incomplete - Unsatisfactory
- WU - Withdrew Unsatisfactory

*Other Grades*

- W - Withdrew
- NC - Visitor, no credit
- CR - Transfer Credit
- V - Visitor (obsolete eff. Summer 1963)

**GRADUATION HONORS**

Graduates earning baccalaureate degrees who rank in the top 10% scholastically of the graduates in their school for that year, and who have a minimum of 65 index hours in their graduation index, receive their degrees *WITH DISTINCTION*. Of those students who qualify for *WITH DISTINCTION*, the top three-tenths of the baccalaureate graduates having the highest graduation indexes are designated as graduating *WITH HIGHEST DISTINCTION*, irrespective of the schools from which they graduate. Similar regulations apply for the determination of honors for students earning associate or professional degrees.

**ISSUING OF TRANSCRIPTS**

Questions concerning the issuance or authenticity of this transcript should be directed to the Office of the Registrar, 610 Purdue Mall, West Lafayette, IN, 47907-2040, (765) 494-6155.

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**SCHOLASTIC INDEXES**

SEM - Semester index, based upon all courses in which the student was enrolled that session and for which grade points were earned.  
CUM - Cumulative index. It includes all grades earned while in an undergraduate program prior to August 1961 or while in a graduate program prior to August 1995.  
GRD - Graduation index. For undergraduate students, it includes all grades earned in the current curriculum plus grades earned in courses taken in a prior curriculum which are being applied toward the current degree program. For graduate students, it includes all grades earned in 500- and 600-level courses plus grades earned in undergraduate courses being included in the graduate Plan of Study. Grade entries not being included in the graduation index are indicated with a minus sign ("-") between the subject abbreviation and course number.

**SCHOLASTIC STANDING**

In the absence of any further qualifications of the term, a student is considered to be in good standing unless he/she has been dismissed, suspended, or scholastically dropped from the University and not readmitted.

**SPECIAL CREDIT NOTATIONS**

Students may be awarded credit at Purdue University by means other than regular enrollment in and completion of a course. Beginning January 1979, this "directed credit" is noted on the academic record as follows:

BY EXAM - Awarded on the basis of achievement in a Purdue departmental proficiency examination.

CEEB AP - Awarded on the basis of achievement in College Entrance Examination Board Advance Placement tests.

CLEP CR - Awarded on the basis of achievement in the College Level Examination Program.

CR ESTB - Awarded on the basis of CEEB Math Achievement Test score or Purdue Composite score.

DEPT CR - Awarded on the basis of substantially equivalent experience, successful completion of a more advanced course, etc.

Prior to January 1979, all BY EXAM (for new students), CEEB AP, CR ESTB and CLEP CR credit was combined into the single notation CR ESTB.

**TRANSFER CREDIT**

Course credits accepted in transfer from other institutions are listed under the appropriate headings. For undergraduate students the course numbers and titles reflect Purdue University equivalents, with the exception of Indiana University courses taken at the jointly-administered Purdue-Indiana University campuses in Indianapolis and Fort Wayne. With the exception of Indiana University credits at the jointly-administered campuses, credits earned in the Technology Statewide program and credits earned in certain study-abroad programs, no grades are transferred and transfer credit hours are not reflected in the cumulative totals.

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