



# Understanding Your GPA

Your grade point average (GPA) is an important number to keep up during your time as a student at SDSU. Having a GPA over 3.0 can make you eligible for scholarships and can help when finding a job after college easier. Remember to attend class regularly, go to tutoring if available, take good notes, and study often if you want to improve your GPA.

## Steps to Calculate Your GPA:

1. Determine the number of grade points earned by taking the credit hours of each class and multiplying [points]
2. [Semester Grade Points] then total up your semester credit hours.
3. Take your total grade points and divide by your total credit hours. The number that remains is your GPA.

Letter grades carry these point values: A=4 points, B=3 points, C=2 points, D=1, F=0 points

## Sample GPA Calculation

Course	Credit Hours	x	Grade	=	Grade Points
SPAN 101	4		A		16

	4		A		16
	15 Total Credit Hours				42 Total Grade Points

Grade Point Average  $42 / 15 = 2.8$  GPA

## What would happen if the student received a B in MATH 102 instead of a D?

Course	Credit Hours	x	Grade	=	
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UC 143	2		A		8
SPAN 101	4		A		16
	15 Total Credit Hours				48 Total Grade Points

Grade Point Average  $48 / 15 = 3.2$  GPA

You can repeat a course to raise your GPA. Both courses will show up on your transcript, but only the course with the higher grade will be used to calculate your GPA.

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