## Plus/Minus Grading - Faculty FAQs

**Q:** When will Plus/Minus grading be implemented?

A: Plus/Minus grading will start with Fall 2010 semester.

**Q:** How will **honor points** for the GPA be assigned to Plus/Minus grades?

A: A = 
$$4.00$$
 B+ =  $3.33$  C+ =  $2.33$  D+ =  $1.33$  A- =  $3.67$  B =  $3.00$  C =  $2.00$  D =  $1.00$  B- =  $2.67$  C- =  $1.67$  D- =  $0.67$  F =  $0.00$ 

**Q:** Is there a **standard grading scale** that must be used to assign grades using the Plus/Minus grade scheme?

**A: No.** It is up to each individual instructor and/or department to determine the point or percentage value required in a course for each grade in the Plus/Minus grade scheme.

Q: How will Plus/Minus grading affect a student's previous grades?

A: Grades received prior to the implementation of Plus/Minus grading will remain as they were originally earned. The honor points and GPA associated with those grades will remain the same as well. Plus/Minus grading will only apply to grades earned beginning Fall 2010.

Q: How will Plus/Minus grading affect a student's academic standing?

**A:** The pratassosameUniversity level to determine academic status **will remain the same**. You may refer to the Student Academic Progress section of the undergraduate catalog for specific GPA requirements. Please note that GPA thresholds currently defined as a grade of C or B are considered the basic form of those letter grades: **C = 2.0 and B = 3.0**.

How will Plus/Minus grading affect **course prerequisites or program requirements based on GPA**? Each college, school, department, program, major and/or minor that utilizes GPA thresholds may choose to examine the existing thresholds in light of Plus/Minus grading and may propose changes through the appropriate governance channels; however, **existing thresholds currently** defined as a grade of C or B **are considered the basic form of those letter grades: C = 2.0 and B = 3.0.** 

How will the transcript be changed to reflect Plus/Minus grading?

A **notation will be made on the transcript** indicating that the University adopted Plus/Minus grading for undergraduate students effective Fall 2010.

Will **Plus/Minus** grading apply to **all students** at WIU?

Plus/Minus grading has been approved at the undergraduate level, but not at the graduate level. Therefore, Plus/Minus grading will apply to **undergraduate courses only**. Whether a student is a graduate student or an