

"D" GRADE POLICIES – College of Liberal Arts

I. Semester policy on "D" grades

Beginning fall 1999 students are allowed to count all grades of "D" for total required credits for graduation. **The following additional requirements must also be met:**

- 1) The overall GPA in UMTC courses must be at least 2.0 in order to graduate.
- 2) All required major courses must be graded C- or better.
- 3) The overall GPA in all major courses must be at least 2.0.
- 4) All major courses must be taken on the A-F grade base (except courses that are offered on S-N grade base only).

Courses graded "D" may apply to all Liberal Education requirements.

II. CLA's pre-fall 1999 policy on "D" grades

A maximum of 12 quarter credits (8 semester credits) graded "D" may apply for the minimum credit requirements for graduation -- i.e. 180 total quarter credits, 72 total quarter credits at 3/5xxx level, and 28 quarter credits at 3/5xxx level outside the major (when required). Grades of "D" may apply to all Liberal Education, or Collegiate General Education, requirements.

Each department establishes its policy on accepting "D" grades in the major. In most cases, if "D" grades are accepted, the "D" must be balanced by an equal number of credits graded "A" or "B" in the major.

Students entering prior to fall 1999 may be allowed to graduate under the pre-1999 policy until fall 2000. Beginning fall 2000, all students will be allowed to follow the semester policy on "D" grades, AND expected to meet the semester GPA requirements overall and in the major.

However, advisers may approve graduation under the pre-1999 policy on a case-by-case basis for students who entered CLA prior to fall 1999, if doing so will allow the student to graduate in a more timely manner.

The earliest a degree may be granted under the Semester policy is fall 1999.