

HOWARD UNIVERSITY POLICY

Policy Series: Academics and Research

Policy Title: 100-017 PASS/FAIL REGULATION

Responsible Officer: Provost and Chief Academic Officer

Responsible Office: Office of the Provost and Chief Academic Officer

Effective Date: Prior to 1979

I. POLICY STATEMENT

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors with a cumulative average of 2.0 or higher who enroll in at least 12 semester hours per semester, may elect to enroll in one course per semester on a pass/fail basis. This pass/fail option is restricted to electives exclusively and is not permitted for courses that fulfill major and minor course requirements. The student will receive a passing designation if his/her work in the course rates as “D” or better and a failing designation if his/her work in the course rates below “D”. Except for students in the School of Business, courses passed under the pass/fail system will count towards graduation requirements. Failing grades will be indicated on the academic record; however, neither the passing grade nor failing grade will be computed in the grade point average. Students electing to take a course pass/fail cannot later petition to receive a grade in the course. The Pass/Fail Regulation is reviewed annually.