



## NDSCS Students -

Maintaining the highest standards for teaching and learning is and has been our most important goal, short of ensuring the health and safety of our community, during the COVID-19 situation. Recognizing that all of our lives have been significantly impacted by COVID-19, our policies and procedures must adapt to ensure fairness and integrity. As a result, we are announcing flexibility in our course completion options, grading options, and are extending course drop dates.

- Students are strongly encouraged to stay in their current classes, working to earn the best possible grade by utilizing the various academic and support services available.
  - Online drop-in and scheduled tutoring is available for various classes. For more information click [here](#).
- If you feel, at the end of the semester, that your official class grade (on CampusConnection) does not reflect your typical academic performance due to COVID-19, you may appeal to shift your grade to a Pass/Fail or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. These grading options provide more flexibility for students during this unprecedented situation.
  - Students are encouraged to communicate any questions and/or concerns about assignments or course materials as soon as possible with their instructors. Students can also reach out to the Student Success Center through calling or texting at 701-671-3000.
  - At the end of the semester, you will have 30 calendar days from the day grades are officially posted on CampusConnection to submit an Expedited Grade Appeal.
    - For questions about this process or guidance on how to complete the appeal, please contact the Student Success Center by calling 701-671-3000. An Academic Counselor or staff member will guide you through the process.
    - In some situations, a S/U or P/F grade will not be in your best interest, be sure to review your options carefully with your department chair or an academic counselor.
- To provide additional flexibility, the last official day to drop a 16-week or 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week Spring 2020 class has been extended to May 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - Please contact the Student Success Center at 701-671-3000 **PRIOR** to making any adjustments to your classes – an Academic Counselor or staff member will guide you through the process.

NDSCS is here to support you – we need to know if you are struggling or need assistance. Please reach out to the Student Success Center with any questions or concerns at 701-671-3000.

Please stay safe, stay healthy, and thank you for your adaptability and flexibility during this time.

Best wishes for your continued success.

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