

How to Calculate Your GPA

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To calculate a GPA (Grade Point Average), consider the courses and grades made by a student during her/his first two semesters at Marshall. Each grade has a number value called a Quality Point Value that is used in determining a GPA. A grade of **A** has a value of 4 points; a grade of **B** has a value of 3 points; a grade of **C** has a value of 2 points; a grade of **D** has a value of 1 point; and a grade of **F** has a value of 0 points. **CR**, **NC** and **W** have a value of 0 points and do not count in GPA calculations. Remember that all classes that are requirements to graduate (except some internships and developmental courses) must be taken for a letter grade (A, B, C, D). Some courses require a **C** or better to count toward graduation, consult the catalog of record for more information.

Semester 1

COURSE	GRADE	QUALITY POINTS		HOURS		TOTAL QUALITY POINTS
BSC 104	C	2	X	4	=	8
ENG 101	B	3	X	3	=	9
SOC 200	A	4	X	3	=	12
MTH 121	D	1	X	3	=	3
UNI 101	CR	0	X	1	=	0
				13*[14]		32

*Hours for GPA calculation hours, [Total hours completed]

To calculate the GPA for this semester, divide the Total Quality Points (32) by the GPA hours (13)
 $32/13 = 2.46$ GPA.

Semester 2

COURSE	GRADE	QUALITY POINTS		HOURS		TOTAL QUALITY POINTS
BSC 105	D	1	X	4	=	4
ENG 102	C	2	X	3	=	6
HST 101	F	0	X	3	=	0
CMM 103	D	1	X	3	=	3

PHL 201	C	2	X	3	=	6
				16		19

To calculate the GPA for this semester, divide the Total Quality Points (19) by the GPA hours (16) $19/16 = 1.18$ GPA.

To calculate the cumulative GPA for the year, divide the Total Quality Points (51) by the total GPA hours (29) $51/29 = 1.75$ GPA.

Since this student's cumulative GPA is less than a 2.0, with a quality point deficiency of 7 points, the student is no longer in good standing. To have remained in good standing (have a 2.0 GPA or higher) the student would have to have 58 or more Total Quality Points. The student is now on probation and would have three semesters to remove all quality point deficiencies or be subject to dismissal from the college for five years. If the student had accumulated 20 or more quality point deficiencies, he/she would have been suspended for one semester.
