

BUSINESS MAJOR VIA COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY TRANSFER FAQ

How many “P” or Pass Grade Equivalents can I select in the Spring 2020 term for my application to be eligible for admission consideration to SFU?

A For Spring 2020, if your transfer institution provided the option of a “P” grade or pass grade equivalent, at least 50% of your Spring 2020 term must present with letter grades (i.e. A/B/C/D/F).

Exceptions may apply on a case-by-case basis. Please contact SFU Central Admissions for more information through the [SFU Future Students Portal](#).

If I seek Academic Advising for guidance on “P” (Pass) grade selection, what can an SFU Beedie Advisor support me with?

An SFU Beedie Academic Advisor Can:

- Explain SFU academic policies and requirements related to admission you may wish to consider in your decision to select a “P” (Pass) or pass equivalent grade.
- Refer you to resources that can support you in making an informed decision, including the [SFU GPA Calculator](#), [Business Admission GPA Calculator](#), [SFU Academic Calendar](#) and our admission requirements page(s).
- Review your advising transcript to determine your eligibility to apply for the business major program in a future term.

An SFU Beedie Academic Advisor is Unable To:

- Elect which course(s) you should select a “P” (Pass) or pass grade equivalents for. Academic advisors are available to give guidance, but it is the responsibility of the student to make an informed decision using the information and resources provided.
- Inform you of, or advise on, policies that have been implemented at your current institution. We encourage you to connect with an advisor at your current institution for additional support and guidance.

Can a “P” grade or Pass Grade Equivalent (ex. P/AEG/CR) be used to satisfy the 8 required courses?

A Yes. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term, a “P” (Pass) or pass grade equivalent as determined by SFU Admissions, can be used to satisfy the 8 required courses for admission to SFU Beedie.

Will a “P” grade or Pass Grade Equivalent (ex. P/AEG/CR) count towards my Business Admission GPA on the 8 required courses?

A No. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term, any course completed with a “P” (Pass) or pass grade equivalent as determined by SFU Admissions, will not be included in the SFU Beedie Admission GPA calculation required for admission.

If I have a “P” grade or Pass Equivalent grade in one or more courses, will my other courses be weighted more heavily in the admission calculation?

A As “P” grades or pass grade equivalents do not count towards your Business Admission Average, your average will be determined by your remaining required courses. For example, if you received a “P” (pass) or pass grade equivalent in one of the eight required courses, your average will be calculated based on the remaining seven required courses.

How do I use the SFU Beedie 8 Required Course GPA Calculator if I have “P” or pass equivalent grades?

A The GPA Course Calculator now has a “P” grade option for calculating your admission average. The GPA calculator can be found [here](#).

Will I be disadvantaged compared to a student with A/B/C/D grades if I have taken “P” or Pass Grade Equivalents in one or more courses?

A No. Opting for a “P” (pass) or pass grade equivalent will not negatively impact your application to SFU Beedie, as we acknowledge that your academics have been largely impacted by factors beyond your control in-light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

I have selected a “P” or Pass Equivalent grade in one or more of the 8 required courses. Am I still eligible for the GPA Only Admission pathway?

A In order to be eligible for GPA Only Admission, applicants must achieve 3.30 or higher on a minimum of 5/8 required courses with standard letter grades (A/B/C); remaining required courses must also be in-progress or completed with a “P” grade at the time of application.

Applicants who have 3.30 or higher, but have **less than 5 standard letter grades (A/B/C)** on the 8 required courses at the time of application (with the remaining required courses in-progress or completed with a “P” grade) will be eligible for consideration under the GPA with Supplemental Application Pathway, only.

For example, an applicant who presents two "B+" grades, three "P" grades and three In-Progress (IP) grades at the time of application, will be considered under the GPA with Supplemental Application admission pathway.

SFU Standard letter grade definitions can be found [here](#).

I have selected a "P" or Pass Equivalent grade in one or more of the 8 required courses. Am I still eligible for the GPA with Supplemental Application Admission pathway?

A Yes. Your application will still be eligible for admission consideration for the GPA with Supplemental Application pathway provided that your Business Admission Average on the 8 required courses is between a 2.80-3.29, and you have a minimum of 5/8 required courses complete (with standard or P grades), with the remaining required courses in-progress at the time of application.

I received a "P" or Pass Grade Equivalent in a required course and am planning to repeat it. Which grade will you use in my admission calculation?

A The SFU Beedie Admission Evaluation Committee will use the most advantageous letter grade in your admission evaluation (i.e. whichever letter grade will give your application the highest Business Admission average). Please note that of the 8 required courses, a maximum of two repeats can be included in your Business Admission Average. More information on our repeat policies can be found [here](#) under the "Required Courses" tab.

I received an "F" (Fail) grade in the Spring 2020 term and need to repeat the course in order to be eligible for admission consideration. Will this repeat count towards the two-course repeat policy for admission?

A Yes. If you received an "F" or fail equivalent grade in a course during the Spring 2020 term and repeat the course in a future term, it will be considered a repeat in your admission evaluation.

Exceptions to our two-course, one-time each repeat policy for College/University Transfer admission will be assessed on a case by case basis. If you have concerns regarding your repeat eligibility in-light of "P" (Pass), pass grade equivalents, "F" (Fail), or fail grade equivalents received in the Spring 2020 term, please connect with the SFU Beedie Undergraduate Admission team by emailing bsb_admit@sfu.ca.

More information on our repeat policies can be found [here](#) under the "Required Courses" tab.

I received an A/B/C/D/P grade in one of the 8 required courses for admission to SFU Beedie in the Spring 2020 term and want to repeat the course to get a higher grade. Will this repeat count towards the two-course, one time each repeat policy for admission?

A Yes. This will count as one of your two course repeats for admission. More information on our repeat policies can be found [here](#) under the "Required Courses" tab.

I received a D/F grade in a required course, and then repeated the course in Spring 2020 and received an F grade. Am I eligible for admission consideration if I repeat the course for a third time? (Example: Fall 2019 BUS 251 = D, Spring 2020 BUS 251 = F).

A Exceptions to the two-course, one time each, repeat policy for College/University Transfer admission will be assessed on a case by case basis. We first encourage you to connect with an advisor at your current institution to determine your eligibility to take the course for a third time. If you have received permission to take the course for a third time, please connect with the SFU Beedie Undergraduate Admissions office by emailing bsb_admit@sfu.ca to determine your eligibility to apply to SFU Beedie School of Business in a future term.

I received an "F" or Fail Grade Equivalent in a course at my current institution during the Spring 2020 term. Will this grade be used to calculate my admission CGPA to SFU?

A Yes. It will be included in your admission CGPA calculation.

Can I use the "Additional Information" section of the SFU Beedie Supplemental Application to disclose additional information or extenuating circumstances that impacted my Spring 2020 grades?

A Yes. We encourage you to use the "Additional Information" section to provide any information you feel is relevant in the consideration of your admission evaluation.

Do Pass Grade Equivalents count towards program requirements and the total units required for a degree?

- Yes. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term, courses completed with a "P" (Pass) or pass grade equivalent as determined by SFU Admissions, will count for transfer credit and can be used to satisfy degree requirements.

Will Pass Grade Equivalents meet prerequisite requirements for other courses? If the course requires a minimum grade, will the "P" grade still meet the prerequisite requirement?

A Yes. Courses required for admission or as prerequisites with a "P" (pass) grade or pass grade equivalent as determined by SFU Admissions, will satisfy the minimum course grade requirements.

I want more information on SFU's Admission Policies in-light of COVID-19. Where can I find additional information?

A More information is available on SFU Admission's [COVID-19 frequently asked admission questions page](#).