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 academic policies and requirements related to admission you may wish to consider in your decision to select a “P” (Pass) 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 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) grade 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.

Can a “P” (Pass) grade be used to satisfy the 8 required courses?

A Yes. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term at SFU, a “P” grade can be used to satisfy the 8 required courses for admission to SFU Beedie.

Will a “P” (Pass) grade count towards my Business Admission Average on the 8 required courses?

A No. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term at SFU, any course completed with a “P” (Pass) grade will not be included in the Business Admission Average calculation required for admission.

Will a “P” (Pass) or “F” (Fail) grade count towards my SFU Business Course GPA?

A No. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term at SFU, any course completed with a “P” or “F” grade will not be included in the SFU Business Course GPA calculation required for admission. See here for more information on how to calculate your SFU Business Course GPA.

Will a “P” (Pass) or “F” (Fail) grade count towards my SFU CGPA?

A No. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term at SFU, any course completed with a “P” or “F” grade will not be included in your SFU CGPA calculation.

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

A As “P” grades 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” grade 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” (Pass) grades?

A The SFU Beedie GPA Course Calculator now has a “P” 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” (Pass) grades in one or more courses?

A No. Opting for a “P” grade 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” 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" 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 will be completing some of the 8 required courses in the Summer 2020 term at SFU, remotely. Will the "P" (Pass) or "F" (Fail) grading option still be an option?

A No. "P" and "F" grading options are only available for the Spring 2020 semester at SFU.

I received a "P" (Pass) grade in a required course and am planning to repeat it. Which grade will you use in my Business Admission Average 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 course 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 at SFU in the Spring 2020 term and need to repeat the course to be eligible for admission consideration. Will this course repeat count towards the two-course, one time each repeat policy for Internal Transfer admission?

A No. As per the University's Spring 2020 academic policies and procedures, repeats of courses where an "F" was earned in the Spring 2020 term at SFU will not count towards the single course repeat limit of two attempts, nor the overall SFU repeat limit of 5 attempts. As such, this specific scenario would not count towards one of your two course repeats for internal transfer admission.

More information can be found here.

If you have questions about the two course, one-time each repeat policy for admission, please connect with our Undergraduate Admissions team at bsb_admit@sfu.ca who can advise you on your repeat eligibility for Internal Transfer admission.

I received an A/B/C/D/P grade in 1 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 an SFU course, and then repeated the course at SFU in the Spring 2020 term and received an F grade. Am I eligible for admission consideration if I repeat the course for a third time? (Example: Fall 2019 SFU BUS 251 = D, Spring 2020 SFU BUS 251 = F).

A Yes. As per the University's Spring 2020 academic policies and procedures, repeats of courses where a grade of "F" was earned in the Spring 2020 term at SFU will not count towards the single course repeat of two attempts, nor the overall SFU repeat limit of 5 attempts. More information can be found here.

We encourage you to connect with an SFU Advisor in the appropriate Faculty or Department for support with registering in the course for a third time. The contact information for the faculty or departmental advising offices can be found here.

Can I use the “Additional Information” section of the SFU Beedie Supplemental Application to disclose additional information and/or extenuating circumstances that impacted my academics during the Spring 2020 term?

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 "P" (Pass) grades count towards program requirements and the total units required for the Business Major degree program?

A Yes. For grades received in the Spring 2020 term, courses graded with a "P" will count towards program requirements and the total units required for a degree.

Will "P" (Pass) grades 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” grade will satisfy the minimum course grade requirements.

I want more information on SFU’s Academic Policies and Procedures for Spring 2020. Where can I find additional information?

A More information on SFU’s Academic Policies and Procedures for Spring 2020 can be found here.

I am applying as an Internal Transfer student to the Major program, but I received a "P" (Pass) or Pass Grade Equivalent grade at another institution prior to starting my academic journey at SFU. Can this course 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.