

“F” Grade Policy

Students who have received a grade of “F” in a course may be eligible to use the “F” replacement policy. Please read the Baruch College Undergraduate Bulletin for a full description of the CUNY policy on “F” Grades.

Undergraduate students may replace a maximum of 16 credits of failing grades if the same courses are repeated with a minimum grade of C. The cumulative GPA will be recomputed to reflect only the passing grade; the semester GPA will not be changed. The following points should be noted:

- A maximum of 16 credits of failing grades (F, FIN, FAB, FPN, WU, or WF) may be deleted from the calculation of the cumulative GPA during an undergraduate’s enrollment in CUNY. Whether students remain at a single college or transfer from one CUNY college to another, no more than 16 credits of failing grades can be replaced in the calculation of the cumulative GPA. Should the 16 credit limit be reached at a college other than Baruch, a student will not be permitted to replace failing grades at Baruch;
- The course(s) used to replace failing grades must have been taken in the Fall 1990 semester or later;
- If a course for which a student wants the failing grade to be replaced by a grade of C or better was taken prior to September 1, 1984, the student must receive the approval of the appropriate committee on academic standing.
- For a grade of C or better to replace a grade of F in the calculation of the cumulative GPA, the failing grade cannot have been received at another college. The repetition of the course must take place at Baruch; it may not be taken on permit to another institution;
- A failing grade may not be partially replaced; if a student has replaced 14 credits of failing grades and subsequently receives a grade of C or better in another 3 credit course which was previously failed, the failing grade cannot be replaced;
- If a student has received more than one failing grade for the same course and subsequently earns a grade of C or better the course, the failing grades will be deleted from the calculation of the cumulative GPA, subject to the 16 – credit limit;
- If a student fails a course which was taken on a pass/fail basis and subsequently retakes the course, a grade of C or better must be earned in order for the failing grade to be replaced;
- If the course number or title of a course was changed in the period between the receipt of the failing grade and the repetition of the course, but the content remained the same, the failing grade will be replaced if a grade of C or better was received in the repeated courses;
- If the content of the course was changed in the period between the receipt of the failing grade and the repetition of the course, or when a student has been allowed to substitute one course for another, the declaration of course equivalency for the purpose of deleting the failing grade from the calculation of the cumulative GPA will be at the discretion of the appropriate committee on academic standing;
- The cumulative GPA calculated on the basis of this policy is to be used for purposes of retention and graduation from the College and the admission to and continuance in a major or specialization. It will not be used to calculate graduation honors, the dean’s list, or departmental honors at graduation.

Any student who does to want a repeated course to replace a previously recorded failing grade should notify the Registrar so that the replacement does not take place, this request may be made at any time after the second enrollment provided the student is enrolled in the College.