

SCHOOL OF LAW | OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

## **ELECTION FOR CREDIT/NO CREDIT GRADE**

To elect credit/no credit grading for a course, this form may be completed and signed digitally by downloading the file to a computer, entering information, saving it, attaching it to an email message, and sending it to <u>lawreg@ggu.edu</u>. This form can also be sent to: Golden Gate University, Office of the Registrar, 536 Mission Street, Suite 1350, San Francisco, CA 94105-2968; or fax it to 415-442-7223. For assistance call 415-442-6620.

A. Student Informa	tion				
GGU ID or SSN	Last/Family Name		First/Given Nam	ie	
B. Course Informat	ion				
Term: □ Fall □ Spring □ Summer 20		Course and Section Number (e.g., LAW-802A-1)	Course Title		
C. General Policies		Instructor		Units	

- 1. **Deadline**: The deadline for submitting this form to the Registrar's Office is the day of the last class meeting for the course, or the last day of instruction for the term for courses that do not meet for instruction (e.g., independent study). MLS students should refer to program-specific policies in Part F of this form for the submission deadline.
- 2. **Course Eligibility**: For elective courses (including courses prescribed by the Academic Standards Committee), students may elect to receive, in lieu of a letter grade, a grade of "CR" (credit) or "NC" (no credit).
- 3. **Confidentiality**: The "credit/no credit" election must be kept confidential. After making the election, students should not indicate on their exams or notify their instructors that they are electing to take a course on a "credit/no credit" basis.
- 4. **Grade Submission**: Instructors will submit letter grades for all students for all courses (except courses which are only graded "credit/no credit", e.g. Legal Methods.) When students have elected the "credit/no credit" option, the registrar will convert letter grades as follows: grades of "C+" or better will be recorded as "CR," and grades of "C" or below will be recorded as "NC."
- 5. **Irrevocability**: The "credit/no credit" election is not revocable once the form is received by the Registrar's Office, and if a student receives a "CR" grade. If, however, a student receives a grade of "NC," the student may request to have the "NC" grade revert to the actual letter grade received. This request must be made in writing by the deadline below which corresponds to the term in which the student made the election: Fall Semester, January 15; Spring Semester, June 15; Summer Session, September 15.
- 6. Academic Credit: Academic credit is awarded for "CR" grades. Academic credit is not awarded for "NC" grades.
- 7. GPA Calculations: "CR" and "NC" grades are not included in the calculation of students' grade point averages (GPA).
- 8. Program-Specific Policies: Students should refer to Part F of this form for program-specific policies.

## D. Authorization

I have read the policies above and I wish to exercise the "credit/no credit" option in the course listed above.

Student Signature

Date

## E. Approval (MLS Students Only)

MLS students must have approval of their Program Director to elect the "credit/no credit" option.

**Program Director Signature** 

Date

## **F. Program-Specific Policies**

JD Programs:

- 1. Required Courses Ineligible: JD students may not elect "credit/no credit" grading for their JD program required courses.
- 2. **Credit Limit**: JD students may elect to take up to nine (9) units on a "credit/no credit" basis for courses that are used to satisfy JD program requirements. For JD students, this option is limited to one course per term, except in their final term.
- 3. **Dean's List Eligibility**: Because "CR/NC" grades are not included in GPA calculations, taking courses on a "credit/no credit" basis may make JD students ineligible for the Dean's List. To be eligible for the Dean's List, JD students who complete 10 or more units must complete a minimum of 8 letter-graded units. Students who complete fewer than 10 units must complete at least 8 units, of which a minimum of six 6 must be letter graded.

LLM Programs:

- 1. JD Courses Eligible: LLM students enrolled in JD program required courses may elect "credit/no credit" grading for those courses.
- Credit Limit: LLM students may elect to take up to six (6) units on a "credit/no credit" basis for each LLM degree. Excluded from these
  limitations are units earned in courses only offered on a "credit/no credit" basis, as well as units transferred from another law school.

SJD Program:

1. **No Restrictions**: There are no restrictions on SJD student "credit/no credit" elections. After completing their eight (8) residency units, SJD students may also audit courses instead of taking them for a letter grade.

MLS Program:

- 1. **Approval Required**: With the approval of their Program Director, MLS students may take up to six (6) units of elective courses on a "credit/no credit" basis.
- 2. Deadline: For MLS students, the deadline for submitting this form is published in the University Academic Calendar.
- 3. JD Program Seekers: Students who intend to pursue the JD program at GGU should not take any courses on a "credit/no credit" basis.