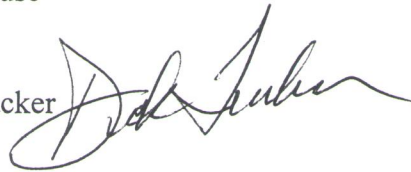


**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dr. Gary Whitehouse  
Provost

**FROM:** Dr. Richard D. Tucker  
Chair

**DATE:** April 27, 1998



**SUBJECT: Implementation of Plus/Minus Grading**

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At the Faculty Senate meeting of April 23, 1998, Carol Bast reported for Dr. Terri Susan Fine, Chair of the Implementation of Plus/Minus Grading Committee. After a lengthy discussion, the report on implementing plus/minus grading was approved by the Faculty Senate.

On behalf of the Faculty Senate, I am submitting this report for your approval.

Attachment

copy: Dr. Terri S. Fine

FROM: Terri S. Fine, Chair, Plus/Minus Implementation Committee

The committee met on Thursday, April 16 at 4pm and voted and approved of a plus/minus grading implementation recommendation to bring before the Faculty Senate as follows:

GRADE	QUALITY POINT VALUE
A	4.00
A-	3.75
B+	3.25
B	3.00
B-	2.75
C+	2.25
C	2.00
C-	1.75
D+	1.25
D	1.00
D-	0.75
F	0.00

The decision was unanimous.

The committee had, in prior meetings, voted AGAINST the following grade options:  
A+, F+, F-.

The committee had also approved a motion that kept the grade C, rather than C-, at the 2.0 level.

The rationale for these gradations is the committee believed that the ".25" breakdown was more reflective of pluses and minuses than would be dividing the scales in half (i.e. ".5" above/below the whole number).

Should you have further questions, do not hesitate to contact me directly at 823-2081 or [tfine@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu](mailto:tfine@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu).

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. that the plus/minus grading system not take effect until the 1999-2000 catalog year beginning with all credits earned Fall 1999 and later.
2. that changing catalog year will have no impact on how grades are computed.
3. that any incomplete grades still in effect that go into Fall 1999 or later be graded according to the grading system in effect at the time that the course was taken rather than the grading system in effect at the time that the course was completed.