For Spring 2020, all undergraduate courses will be graded Pass/Fail unless the student elects to receive a letter grade for the course.

Students who elect the letter grade option, must notify the Registrar’s Office by April 13, 2020. (The specific process will be disseminated by April 1, 2020). Students can opt for a letter grade in one course and a Pass/Fail in another course or in any combination. If the student doesn’t contact the Registrar’s office to elect the grade option, all courses will automatically default to “Pass/Fail.”

Grades of A, B, or C will be considered as a “Pass.” In courses where a D is a letter grade option, the D will be considered as a “Pass”.

Students are not permitted to reverse the letter grade or Pass/Fail option once their decision is submitted to the Registrar’s office (in the case of Pass/Fail) or once their grades are posted (in the case of the letter grade option).

A “Pass” does not factor in the GPA but counts toward earned semester hours and meeting curricular, matriculation, and (where applicable) graduation requirements. A “Fail” does factor into the GPA negatively.

For courses graded Pass/Fail, students cannot request an “Incomplete.”

Students on academic probation who do not elect to accept course grades will be continued to next semester. Their status will be reviewed at the end of Fall 2020.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) decisions will made in accordance with guidelines from the Department of Education.

Institutional scholarship recipients (HUFS, etc.) will maintain scholarship eligibility and will be reviewed for renewal after the Fall 2020 semester.

All transcripts will include a notation explaining the Pass/Fail grades for the Spring 2020 semester as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

FOR THE FULL POLICY, PLEASE SEE:
https://newsroom.howard.edu/newsroom/article/12111/office-provost-adoption-passfail-option

[1] College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences students will be notified of licensing guidelines related to the Pass/Fail option.

[2] There are some exceptions. Please note that a grade of B or C may be required to meet prerequisite requirements. Please consult with your adviser or department for specific instructions.