

**FAQs related to Pass/No Credit (P/NC) Policy – MS Programs at SDSB (MS HMI, MS BPP, MS TME)**  
**Fall 2020**

**1. Can I opt for the Pass/No Credit Policy?**

Yes, MS Programs at SDSB (MS HMI, MS BPP, MS TME) students have the option of converting ONE course grade to Pass/No Credit.

**2. How does this Pass/NC policy work?**

In order to convert a course to Pass, you need to obtain at least a C+ grade in the course. If not, you may opt for NC. In either case, there will be no effect on your CGPA.

**3. Can opting for Pass/No credit affect OR delay my graduation?**

Students are cautioned that in some cases taking this option may delay their graduation for at least one year. Exercising Pass/NC option in core courses may delay graduation by a year because graduate courses are offered once in a year.

**4. How many courses can I convert to Pass/NC**

You may convert only 1 (one) course in Fall semester 2020 to Pass/NC.

**5. Is there any relaxation in the semester/year end CGPA requirement for MS Programs?**

The end of the semester/year minimum CGPA requirement of 2.50 will remain unchanged.

**Note:** *The reason that you are NOT allowed to take the Pass option in more than one course is that you are required to complete 24 credit hours of letter-graded courses. If you plan to apply for PhD admission at LUMS or at any other university in Pakistan, you are required to maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 across 24 credit hours of letter-graded courses. Also, you may face issues with degree verification (for visa requirements at most embassies) as per the current HEC policy requiring taking 24 credit hours of letter-graded courses.*