

**Proposed change to School of Education Policy on Courses Counted in Programs****CURRENT LANGUAGE:**

Only a few graduate courses, including some workshop courses and thesis courses, are eligible for S/F grading.

For both pass/fail and satisfactory/fail grading a memo is required from the instructor showing that a grade of B or higher would have been issued to the student for the course. Without this memo the course will not be counted toward a degree program.

**PROPOSED LANGUAGE:**

Only a few graduate courses, including some workshop courses, co-requisite labs outside the major or minor, and thesis courses are eligible for S/F grading.

For both pass/fail and satisfactory/fail grading, with the exception of thesis courses and pre-approved co-requisite labs, a memo is required from the instructor showing that a grade of B or higher would have been issued to the student for the course. Without this memo the course will not be counted toward a degree program.

**REASON FOR THE CHANGE:**

The SoE Graduate Bulletin indicates that EdS, EdD and PhD students cannot count S/F courses (with the exception of dissertation credits) in their programs. Students have been using Y500 credits in the general electives area of their programs. This has been slipping through without notice, but cannot continue to do so.

This change will allow the co-requisite lab courses accompanying inquiry courses to be included together with the exceptions that can be counted toward hours required in degree programs. It has been general practice and therefore appears to be acceptable to the faculty. The Inquiry program coordinator and chair of CEP were consulted on the policy wording and do not anticipate problems with it.