

# REPUBLIC OF TURKEY YAŞAR UNIVERSITY RECTORATE

#### **Flexible Grading System**

As per the decision made by the Senate of the University on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, Flexible Grading System (FGS) will be implemented based on our students' requests for associate degree and undergraduate degree programs on 2021-2022 Academic Year Fall and Spring Terms alongside 2021-2022 Academic Year Summer School.

Students using the Flexible Grading System (FGS) in 2020-2021, 2021-2022 Academic Years will not be entitled to apply for Double Major/Minor Programs, Academic Success Scholarship and will not be included within graduation ranking.

Students using the Flexible Grading System (FGS) in 2020-2021, 2021 – 2022 Academic Years within their Associate Degree programs will not be evaluated for Yaşar University Vertical Transfer Scholarship upon their placement to the university with Vertical Transfer Examination.

The Flexible Grading System is explained with Questions and Answers as follow:

### 1. What is Flexible Grading System?

FGS is a system for the conversion of pass letter grades to satisfactory letter grade. Therefore, Associate and Undergraduate Degree students could apply to FGS <u>following</u> the announcement of the grades in accordance with the conditions stated below:

- a) For at most two (2) elective courses conducted as Online or Hybrid, excluding "A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C letter grades, "C-, D+ and D" letter grades could be converted to "S (Satisfactory)" grade.
- b) FGS Application Dates will be between the dates of 20<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of January, 2022 for Fall Term, 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of June, 2022 for Spring Term and 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> of August, 2022 for Summer School.

#### 2. What does the S grade mean?

Grade Letter of "D" and higher grades correspond to the grade "S" (Satisfactory) at associate and undergraduate degree programs.

Grade Letter of "NA" (Non-Attendance/Fail) will be applied on 2021-2022 Fall and Spring Terms alongside 2021-2022 Summer School

#### 3. How is the S grade calculated in the FGS?

Since the multiplier coefficient for "S" grade is "0", it is not included to the calculation of Semester and Cumulative GPA.

"S" grade is included to the graduation credit (120 ECTS for associate degree and 240 ECTS for undergraduate degree).

4. Could we choose to convert the course we want into "S" grade and keep the course we want as a letter grade? Will there be any requirement or condition for this?

All associate and undergraduate degree students are entitled to apply for conversion to "S" grade for at most two (2) elective courses (conducted online or hybrid) which provide the FGS conditions within the courses they enrolled at 2021-2022 Fall and/or Spring Terms alongside 2021-2022 Summer School without any requirement for permission/approval.

5. Could a converted letter grade into "S" grade be undone?

No. Only one transaction could be done within the grade type for a course. Such requests will not be accepted in other semesters, either.

6. Is FGS valid for practical courses such as Studios, Graduation Projects etc...?

No, it is not.

7. Could we request grade conversion into FGS prior to the announcement of final grades?

No. You could apply for only <u>after</u> the announcement of the final grades. A separate announcement will be made for FGS Application dates.

8. Could we prefer "S" grade for the courses to be enrolled for raising the grades? How would my GPA be affected by?

Yes, you could. The latest grade for your course will be "S" grade at that time. You could use "Transcript Scenario" option on your OBS account (**Transcript Scenario Screen will be active** at the end of the semester) to calculate the impact of "S" grade to your GPA.

9. If a course listed within Major Program transcript is also listed within Double Major Program transcript separately, could we prefer "S" grade for one while requesting a letter grade for the other?

No. Such courses with "S" grade are indicated with the grade "T" (Transfer) within double major program's transcript.

10. Will my GPA remain the same if all of my courses (for the students enrolled at least one (1) and at most two (2) course/s) are graded in "S"?

You could use "Transcript Scenario" option on your OBS account to calculate the impact of "S" grade to your GPA.

11. Could we request letter grade for a course of which the grading system is currently S/U?

No. Those courses are already graded in S/U as per the regulations/directives/curriculum in place.

## 12. Will the course/s graded as "S" be counted within graduation credit?

Yes. The courses graded as "S" will be counted within graduation credit.

#### 13. Could we graduate if a course is graded with "U" grade?

No. The grade "U" indicates a fail grade like the grades "F" and "NA". Therefore, you need to enroll to the course and pass.

#### 14. Could we apply for Remedial Examinations with a course graded with "U"?

Yes, you could.

# 15. Could we apply for Remedial Examinations with a course graded with the letter grade "NA"?

No. You could not apply for Remedial Examinations if you have a course graded with "NA".

# 16. Which GPA will be used for "Probational" and/or "Successful" status If I suspend my study during 2021-2022 Fall and/or Spring Term/s?

If you suspend your study during 2021-2022 Fall and/or Spring term/s, your last status and GPA on your latest enrollment term will be used when you re-enroll your courses for the next term.

#### 17. How could I submit my FGS request?

a) You could apply through FGS Application System between the dates of 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> of January, 2022 for Fall Term, 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> of June, 2022 for Spring Term and 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> of August, 2022 for Summer School. FGS Application System will be active between the mentioned dates and will be announced at web pages.

#### 18. How will the assessment be made for the Academic Success Scholarship?

Students with FGS grade on 2020-2021 and/or 2021-2022 Academic Years will not be included within Academic Success Scholarship evaluations.

### 19. How will the Graduation Grading and Ranking be determined?

Students with FGS grade on 2020-2021 and/or 2021-2022 Academic Years will not be included within Graduation Grading and Ranking Evaluations.