

# CORNELL COLLEGE

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## Explanation of Transcripts

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**ACCREDITATION:** Cornell College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the Iowa State Department of Education, the American Chemical Society, and the University Senate of the United Methodist Church.

**COURSE CREDIT:** Since September 1963 1.0 credit equals 4 semester hours or 6 quarter hours. Transfer courses not equivalent to specific Cornell College courses are numbered 01X for 100 level, 02X for 200 level, and 03X for a 300 level course.

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR:** September 1978 through August 2016 the academic year is called Full and is named by the year in which it begins, including all courses completed between the fall start date and end of following spring. Beginning September 2016 the academic calendar is based on the semester system divided into a Fall and a Spring semester.

**ONE-COURSE-AT-A-TIME-PLAN:** Effective September 1978, students take one principal course for 3 1/2 weeks, or 18 class days, for eight terms (nine terms prior to 2012). Adjunct courses (numbered in the 500s or 700s) usually involve at least 4 terms (a semester) and are taken in conjunction with principal or concurrent courses.

**GRADING SYSTEM:** A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, P, S and CR are passing grades. F, NC, and U denote failure. AU indicates a course audited for no credit. I indicates work of satisfactory quality which is "Incomplete." W signifies withdrawal, and may appear alone, followed by the grade the student has earned at the time of withdrawal (prior to September 1974), by H if for reasons of health or personal emergency, or by R if by default for non-attendance. IP indicates a course in progress or grade not reported. A repeated course, indicated by 'R' (after the course), or by a grade in brackets [ ], carries graduation credit only when specified in the course description.

**Effective September 1972**

4 point scale used for quality points:

A = 4, A- = 3.7, B+ = 3.3, B = 3, B- = 2.7,  
C+ = 2.3, C = 2, C- = 1.7, D+ = 1.3, D = 1, D- = .7, F = 0.  
No points are assigned for P, S, U, CR, or NC.

**Effective February 1965**

4 point scale used for quality points:

A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0. All subsequent grades reflect this change and cumulative averages computed after this date are on the 4 point scale.

**Prior to February 1965**

3 point scale used for quality points:

A = 3, B = 2, C = 1, D = 0, F = -1.

**CR/NC** CR (Credit) and NC (No Credit) are not a grading option exercised by the student except for courses so designated in the catalogue. CR signifies work of C quality or better; NC, failure.

**S/U** S (Satisfactory) and U (Unsatisfactory) were a student grading option between September 1970 and May 1976. S was equivalent to a C- or higher. Neither grade was computed in the grade point average. This option was reestablished as of the 2013 academic year with S being equivalent to a C or higher.

**P/F** P (Pass) and F (Failure) were a student grading option from September 1968 to May 1970. P was the equivalent of D or higher and was not computed in the grade point average, but F was.

### COMMON DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CODES

ACM	Associated Colleges - Midwest	EST	Ethnic Studies	MAS	Mass Communications
AMS 34	American Studies	FAA	29 Fine Arts and Applied Music	MAT	16 Mathematics
ANS	Ancient Studies	FLP	Foreign Language Abroad Program	MEM	Medieval and Early Modern Studies
ANT	Anthropology	FRE	09 French	MUS	17 Music
ARA	Arabic	GEO	10 Geology	OFF	70 Off Campus
ARC	Archaeology	GER	11 German	ORB	38 Origins of Behavior
ART 03	Art	GES	45 German Studies	PED	Physical Education
BIO 04	Biology	GRE	12 Greek	PHI	18 Philosophy
BMB	Biochemistry/Molecular Biology	GSS	Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies	PHY	19 Physics
BSS 02	Special Studies	HIS	14 History	POL	20 Politics
CHE 05	Chemistry	HON	01 Honors Program	PPE	39 Philosophy, Politics & Economics
CLA 31	Classics	HPE	13 Health & Physical Education	PSY	21 Psychology
CLS	Classical Studies	HRE	Human Relations	REL	22 Religion
COM	Communication Studies	HUM	30 Humanities	RSS	46 Russian Studies
CSC 47	Computer Science	IBU	48 International Business	RUS	23 Russian
COE 60	Coe College - Cross Registration	IND	Interdisciplinary	SAN	Sociology and Anthropology
ECB 06	Economics and Business	INT	27 Interdepartmental	SDE	Secondary Education
EDS	Educational Studies	INDIV	Individualized	SIT	School for International Training
EDU 07	Education	IRE	49 International Relations	SOC	24 Sociology
EGR	Engineering Sciences	JPN	Japanese	SPA	25 Spanish
ELE	Elementary Education	KIN	Kinesiology	SPE	Speech
ENG 08	English	LAL	33 Languages and Linguistics	STA	Statistics
ENV 35	Environmental Studies	LAS	Latin American Studies	THE	Theatre
EPS	Education, Psychology, Sociology	LAT	15 Latin	THS	26 Theatre and Speech
ESL	English as a Second Language	MAR	36 Mediaeval/Renaissance Studies	WST	Women's Studies

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