

REPORT OF SCHOLASTIC STANDARDS AND PETITIONS COMMITTEE

Proposed Change in the Grading System

The University Committee on Scholastic Standards and Petitions recommends the following changes to the USC Bulletin:

- I. The Committee recommends that the catalogue description of the grade of I be modified as follows:

Present wording (page U18, USC Bulletin):

I, incomplete, indicates satisfactory attendance and performance, but failure to complete some portion of the assigned work in a course. By arrangement with the instructor the student will have up to 12 months to complete the work before a permanent grade is recorded. After one year a grade of I may be changed to another symbol only if it was recorded erroneously.

Recommended wording and footnote:

I, incomplete, indicates satisfactory attendance and performance, but failure to complete some portion of the assigned work in a course. By arrangement with the instructor the student will have up to 12 months to complete the work before a permanent grade is recorded. After one year a grade of I may be changed to another symbol only if it was recorded erroneously. The grade of I will affect the computation of GPR as if it were a grade of F until a permanent grade is assigned.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>No points are assigned to the grade of I, but the hours attempted in a course for which this grade is received are included in the computation of GPR.

- II. The Committee recommends:

- (1) that, as a general policy, transfer grades not be included in the computation of a student's GPR; and
- (2) that transfer grades of students who apply to graduate with honors be included in the computation of their GPRs.

Editorial changes to incorporate these recommendations will have to be made to the "Transfer Credit" section of the USC Bulletin, and possibly to other sections as well.