



Accreditation

Saint Peter's University is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. It is recognized by the New Jersey State Department of Education as an approved teacher-training institution. The teacher preparation program is accredited by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council. The School of Nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The School of Business Administration is accredited by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE). The University has registered its programs with the Veterans Administration. In 2012, Saint Peter's College was recognized by the State of New Jersey as Saint Peter's University.

Non-Traditional Credits

Saint Peter's University awards undergraduate credit for the following alternative experiences. Students may qualify for up to 30 credits towards graduation through any combination of the following programs:

- Advanced Placement sponsored by the College Entrance Examination Board;
- Internships and Cooperative Education;
- Service Learning;
- Tutorials;
- Armed Services courses, if the courses are evaluated in *A Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experience Gained in the Armed Services* and the credits are applicable to the degree;
- Courses taken under the sponsorship of a business or industrial organization, if the courses are evaluated in *The National Guide to Educational Credit for Training Programs*.

In addition to the above, students enrolled in the School of Professional and Continuing Studies (SPCS) may earn up to 15 total credits in:

- College Level Examination Program (CLEP); OR
- Prior Learning Credit

Grade Description:

Standard Letter Grade	Quality Points Awarded	Undergraduate Description (Effective September 2008 forward)	Graduate Description (Effective September 2003 forward)
A	4.0	Outstanding	Outstanding
A-	3.7	Excellent	Excellent
B+	3.3	Very Good	Very Good
B	3.0	Good	Good
B-	2.7	Above Average	Above Average
C+	2.3	Average	Average
C	2.0	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
C-	1.7	Less than Satisfactory	Not Applicable
D+	1.3	Poor, but Passing	Not Applicable
D	1.0	Minimum Passing grade	Not Applicable
F	0.0	Failure	Failure
FA	0.0	Failure due to non-attendance	Failure due to non-attendance

Grades that do not affect the GPA:

Notation	Description
AU	Audit
CIP	Course is currently in progress
IC	Incomplete
IP	Course extends beyond end of term
IT	Grade not yet submitted by instructor
P	Passing
TR	Transfer Credit (Transferred courses entered after October 1, 2014 are recorded as TR; courses entered prior display the grade earned at the institution.)
WD	Withdrawal
WV	Waived Requirement (Graduate Only)

Historical Grade Information:

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A	4.0	Outstanding
A-	3.7	Excellent
B+	3.3	Very Good
B	3.0	Good
B-	2.7	Above Average
C+	2.3	Average
C	2.0	Satisfactory
D+	1.5	Poor, but Passing
D	1.0	Minimum Passing grade
F	0.0	Failure

Quality Points Awarded	Undergraduate Description (Effective September 1970 to August 2003)	Graduate Description (Effective September 1970 to August 2003)
4.0	Outstanding	Excellent
3.5	Excellent	Very Good
3.0	Very Good	Good
2.5	Good	Passing
2.0	Satisfactory	Passing, but less than satisfactory
1.5	Passing, but less than satisfactory	Not Applicable
1.0	Minimum for credit	Not Applicable
0.0	Failure	Failure
0.0	WF – Withdrawal Failing (discontinued 1984)	WF – Withdrawal Failing (discontinued 1984)
N/A	WA – Withdrawn Administratively (discontinued 1984)	WA – Withdrawn Administratively (discontinued 1984)
N/A	WP – Withdrawal Passing (discontinued 1984)	WP – Withdrawal Passing (discontinued 1984)

Grade Point Average (GPA)

The Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated by multiplying the quality points earned for each course by the number of credits assigned to the course and then adding these products and dividing the total by the total number of credits attempted. Courses for which grade points are not awarded have ". . . ." in the GRDPT column. Transfer credit note: Although grades appear on the transcript for transferred courses, they do not calculate in the GPA.

Undergraduate Distinctions

College of Arts and Sciences/School of Business Administration (CAS/SBA); School of Education (SOE):

To be eligible for a Bachelor's degree with distinction, students must have completed six consecutive major terms (Fall and Spring) and have earned a minimum of 69 credits at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade.

School of Professional and Continuing Studies (SPCS):

To be eligible for a Bachelor's degree with distinction, students must have completed four consecutive major terms (Fall 1 and 2; and Spring 1 and 2) and have earned a minimum of 42 credits at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade.

School of Nursing (SON):

To be eligible for a Bachelor's degree with distinction, students must have completed four consecutive major terms (Fall and Spring) and have earned a minimum of 30 credits at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade.

Cumulative GPA	Notation	Description
3.80 and above	summa cum laude	with highest distinction
3.70 to 3.79	magna cum laude	with great distinction
3.60 to 3.69	cum laude*	with distinction

*Associates degree candidates who have completed a minimum of 30 credits at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade and have earned a CGPA of 3.60 or above qualify for *cum laude*.

Undergraduate Deans' List

CAS/SBA/SOE/SON students who complete a minimum of 12 credits at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade are eligible for Dean's List if they earn a Term GPA of at least 3.50. SPCS students are eligible for Dean's List for a term (Fall 1, Fall 2, Spring 1, or Spring 2) if they complete a minimum of 6 credits in the term at the University in courses issuing a standard letter grade and earn a Term GPA of at least 3.50. Grades of C-, D+, D, F and FA automatically disqualify the student from the Dean's List regardless of the Term GPA.

Academic Standing/Academic Actions

UNDERGRADUATE

Good Standing: First year students with a Cumulative GPA at or above 1.8, and all other students at or above 2.0, are considered to be in *good academic standing*.

Academic Probation: First year students with a Cumulative GPA below 1.8, and all other students below 2.0, are placed on Academic Probation and are required to participate in the Academic Recovery Program.

Academic Suspension: A student will be placed on Academic Suspension if the Cumulative GPA falls below the institutional requirements:

Attempted Credits	Minimum CGPA	Attempted Credits	Minimum CGPA
24-47	1.50	72-95	1.90
48-71	1.80	96+	2.0

Academic Dismissal: If a student, after readmission from Academic Suspension, again becomes academically deficient, the student will be dismissed. Academic Dismissal is final and precludes the possibility of readmission to the University.

GRADUATE

Please see the appropriate program section in the Academic Catalog for details regarding Graduate Academic Standing and Academic Actions.

Course Numbering

Level	Course Number	Description
	001-099	Developmental Course – credits not applicable towards graduation
	100-499	Undergraduate Level – academic credit bearing course
	<i>Special Course Designations:</i>	
Undergraduate	295	Cooperative Education Course
	399	Tutorial Course with 1:1 student/faculty ratio
	490-499	Seminar or Departmental Internship
Graduate	500 and above	Graduate Level Course

Course Descriptions

Courses taken 2004 forward: Official descriptions are only available online at www.saintpeters.edu/academics/catalogs.

Courses taken prior to 2004: Official descriptions must be requested via email at registrar@saintpeters.edu