

1. How to compute Grade Point Average (GPA):

A = 4 Points B = 3 Points C = 2 Points D = 1 Point

F = 0 Points

Semester 1

GPA (Grade point average) = **Total Grade Points Earned divided by Total Units attempted**

First semester gpa is computed as follows:

= $25/14 = 1.79$ (rounded to 2 decimal places)

Class	Units	Grade	Points'	Grade Points
Engl 68	4	B	3	12
Math 51	4	D	1	4
Hist 1	3	D	1	3
Coun 5	3	C	2	6
Totals	14			25

Semester 2 Class	Units	Grade	Points	Grade points
Engl 1a	4	B	3	12
Math 51	4	B	3	12
Hist 1	3	A	4	12
Mus 13	3	C	2	6
Totals	14			42

Using the above formula: **grade point average = total grade points earned divided by total units attempted**, the second semester gpa = $42/14 = 3.00$ (rounded to 2 decimal places)

Therefore, the cumulative G.P.A. for both semesters should be:

$$\frac{25+42}{14+14} = \frac{67}{28} = 2.39^{***}$$

*****Notice carefully, though, in computing cumulative (overall) gpa:**

Mt. Sac allows a student to replace the first grade with the second grade if the same class is repeated. Therefore, keeping that policy in mind the first attempts of math 51 and hist 1 would be forgiven.

Thus the overall (cumulative or all semesters') gpa should be computed as follows:

$$18/7 \text{ (first semester)} + 42/14 \text{ (second semester)} = 60/21 = 2.86 \text{ (C+)}$$

Therefore, repeating a class is always advantageous to a student – depending on the outcome of the second attempt.

2. **Probation:** a warning system to inform a student about lack of satisfactory progress at college
Progress probation - A situation in which a student has attempted at least 12 units, and has dropped more units with a notation of "W" than units completed successfully

One must complete more units successfully than units dropped late (or with a “W”) in order to avoid being put on progress probation

Academic Probation – A situation in which a student has attempted at least 12 units, and the grade point average (GPA) has fallen below 2.0 (C)