NSCI Division Communication in Response in Response to the New Pass/Fail Policy for Spring 2020 (revised 4/1/20)

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The Natural Sciences Division encourages students to wait on making decisions about withdrawals and using the P/F option until students have had time to review revised syllabi and course expectations communicated by their faculty after Spring Break. At that time, students will have more complete information about course expectations and will be better rested (hopefully) to make important decisions.

If a student chooses the P/F option for a course within the Natural Sciences Division taken during Spring 2020 that is a prerequisite for another subsequent course within the division, the Natural Sciences Division will consider a grade of P as meeting the prerequisite.

Please note that a student who chooses the P/F option and then earns a D+ or lower will earn an F on their transcript, and this is irreversible.

PLU’s School of Nursing has indicated that students should NOT choose the P/F option for courses used as prerequisites for the Nursing Program, which include (from Natural Sciences) CHEM 105 and BIOL 206.

While COVID-19 has affected institutions around the world and we hope that most/all of them will be flexible regarding requirements completed during Spring 2020, we cannot guarantee this. Thus, if you are currently taking a course as a prerequisite for a graduate/professional program beyond PLU, please recognize that it is up to each individual graduate/professional program as to whether or not they will accept a P as evidence of satisfactory completion of the requirement.

To view PLU’s revised P/F policy for Spring 2020, please click here.