

Columbia Theological Seminary

The following Grading Policies are taken directly from the CTS Online Catalog under the section labeled with the heading, "Academic Notes and Policies". Please refer to that online document for further explanations.

Grading for Basic Degree Students

At the end of each term, students receive grades according to the following four-quality points system. A grade report is made available to each student through the student portal and sent to a denominational supervisor, if applicable. For Master of Divinity, Master of Arts (Theological Studies), Master of Arts in Practical Theology, Unclassified, and Special students, the criteria for grading are mastery of material, skill in organizing and expressing ideas, creativity, and the ability to relate to other teachings.

The grading system is as follows:

- A 4.0 Outstanding
- A- 3.7 Superior
- B+ 3.3 Very good
- B 3.0 Good
- B- 2.7 Slightly above standard
- C+ 2.3 Standard
- C 2.0 Slightly below standard
- C- 1.7 Below standard
- D 1.0 Serious deficiencies
- F 0.0 Failing

Grading for Advanced Degree Students

The grading scale for ThM, DMin, DEdMin, and ThD students is as follows:

- A 4.0
- A- 3.7
- B+ 3.3
- B 3.0
- B- 2.7
- C+ 2.3
- C 2.0
- F 0.0