

## What is a GPA?

Grade Point Average (GPA) is a health indicator of your academic performance at the University. GPA is calculated by dividing the total amount of grade points earned by the total amount of credit hours attempted.

## What is my GPA used for?

GPA can impact your financial aid, scholarships, entrance into specific programs, and academic standing at the University.

## Math Behind the GPA

Each letter grade is worth a certain number of points. See the breakdown below.

A= 4 points

B= 3 points

C= 2 points

D= 1 point

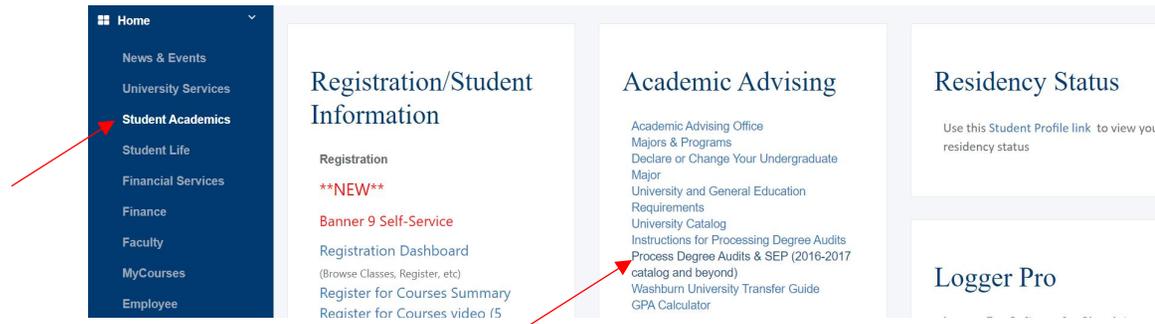
F= 0 points

The total number of grade points you receive for a course is calculated using this formula (Grade Points) x (Credit Hours). So, if you get an A in a 3-credit hour class, (4 points) x (3 hours) = 12 grade points.

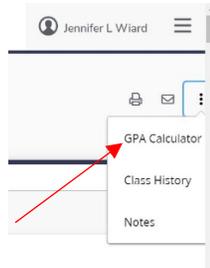
## How do I calculate my GPA?

Degree Works has an awesome GPA Calculator. Follow the steps below to access this tool. The Term GPA Calculator in Degree Works can help you figure out what your overall (or Cumulative) GPA will be at the end of this term. Use it to help you set grade goals in each of your classes, and prioritize which finals you need to study the most for.

1. Log in to [my.washburn.edu](http://my.washburn.edu) with your Washburn University email and associated password.
2. Under the **Student Academics** tab, in the Academic Advising section in the center of the screen, click **Process degree audits (2016-17 catalog and beyond)**.



3. Log in to Degree Works with your Washburn email address and password.
4. In the upper right-hand corner, click on the icon with three dots, and select **GPA Calculator**.



5. Select the tab that says **“Term Calculator.”** The calculator will auto-populate with your current Cumulative GPA, earned hours, and current class schedule. Select hypothetical grades for each class in progress using **the drop-down menu**. Click **Calculate** to see what your Cumulative GPA will be if you receive those grades this term.

