



# San Bernardino Valley College

2024-2025 Catalog Addendum III

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This addendum to the 2024-2025 San Bernardino Valley College Catalog reflects updates and offers new educational opportunities for students. These updates/revisions were approved after the 2024-2025 Catalog was published online. Although every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of the information, all students should consult with a counselor for further information.

***Our Mission: San Bernardino Valley College provides innovative instructional programs and cohesive student services to support the educational goals of a culturally diverse community of learners by engaging in continuous improvement and actively working towards an antiracist culture to foster an environment of meaningful learning and belonging for our students, employees, and the community.***

## Grades and Grade Points

<https://catalog.valleycollege.edu/academic-standards-policies/grades-grade-points/>

Grade	Description	Grade Numeric Value
A	Excellent	4
B	Good	3
C	Satisfactory	2
D	Passing, Less than Satisfactory	1
F	Failing	0
P <sup>1</sup>	Pass	0
NP <sup>2</sup>	No Pass	0
I <sup>3</sup>	Incomplete	--
W <sup>3</sup>	Withdrawal	--
EW	Excused Withdrawal	--
FW	Failure to Withdraw	--
MW	Military Withdrawal	--
IP <sup>3</sup>	In Progress	--
RD	Report Delay	--

<sup>1</sup> Pass (P) grade units are not counted in GPA however, credit is earned.

<sup>2</sup> No Pass (NP) units are not counted in GPA; NP units are used in calculating units attempted for progress, probation and dismissal.

<sup>3</sup> Non-evaluative symbols; no units or credit earned.

Only instructors may assign grades, and the grades given are final except in cases of mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetence. No grade will be changed for any reason or any circumstances after three years from the end of the term in which the grade was assigned.

### Excused Withdrawal (EW)

An "Excused Withdrawal" occurs when a student is permitted to withdraw from a course(s) due to accidents, illness, or extenuating circumstance beyond the control of the student affecting their ability to complete a course(s) (C.C.R. § 55024). Acceptable reasons for excused withdrawal may include:

Job transfer outside the geographical region; Illness in the family where the student is the primary caregiver; An incarcerated student in a California State Prison or County Jail is released from custody or involuntarily transferred before the end of the term; In the case of an incarcerated student, an excused withdrawal cannot be applied if the failure to complete the course(s) was the result of a student's behavioral violation or if the student requested and was granted a mid-semester transfer; The student is the subject of an immigration action; Death of an immediate family member; Chronic or acute illness; Verifiable accidents; Natural disasters directly affecting the student; or Other extenuating circumstances as described in C.C.R. § 55024(b)(2). The extenuating circumstances must show reason(s) that the student's completion of a course is impractical. The California Community College Chancellor's Office defines impractical as "impossible due to reasons beyond the student's control." An "EW" symbol may be requested by the student any time after the course's drop date and no later than the date when district policy allows a grade change. To request an excused withdrawal, the student must submit an academic exception petition to the Admissions & Records Office. The request will be reviewed by the Scholastic Policies and Standards Committee. Upon approval, an excused withdrawal symbol may be assigned. The grade assigned for excused withdrawal shall be "EW." Excused withdrawals shall not be counted in progress probation and dismissal, in the permitted number of withdrawals, or counted as an enrollment attempt. Excused withdrawals are not eligible for a refund of enrollment fees. The financial aid of a student may

be affected depending on individual circumstances. A student should consult with the Financial Aid Office regarding any impact.

### **Failure to Withdraw (FW)**

Failure to withdraw “FW” grade symbol indicates that a student has both ceased participating in a course sometime after the last day to officially withdraw from the course without having achieved a final passing grade, and that the student has not received district authorization to withdraw from the course under extenuating circumstances. The “FW” symbol may not be used if a student has qualified for and been granted military withdrawal. If “FW” is used, its grade point value shall be zero (0). FW grades are assigned by faculty. Students cannot request an FW grade.

*Adding EW and FW to Grades and Grade Points page.*

## **Nursing Program Prerequisites**

<https://catalog.valleycollege.edu/degree-certificate-program-index/nursing/#programprerequisitestext>

### **Prerequisites - Required Science Courses:**

Science courses listed below must be completed with a grade of C or higher and a minimum G.P.A. of 2.8 in the three courses:

#### **Human Anatomy and Physiology**

Select one series from the following:

BIOL 250	Human Anatomy and Physiology I AND	4.0
BIOL 251	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4.0
	OR	
BIOL 260	Human Anatomy AND	4.0
BIOL 261	Human Physiology	4.0

#### **Microbiology**

BIOL 270	Microbiology	5.0
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Note: Online sciences will not be accepted. BIOL 250 & BIOL 251 must be completed at the same regionally accredited institution.

*Revising the number of Science courses required from four to three effective Fall 2024.*

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