

2008 AMCAS Grade Conversion Guide

The following steps will help you estimate your AMCAS grade point average. These steps will provide you with an estimated GPA – **only the GPA calculated and verified by AMCAS will be considered official by the medical schools**. You will be able to view the AMCAS Verified GPA once “AMCAS Processing is Complete”. You may find additional information about grade conversions in the 2007 Application Instructions available on the AMCAS Web site: www.aamc.org/amcas.

The AMCAS Grade Conversion Guide is for personal use only; do not enter this information in your AMCAS application. You must enter course information in the AMCAS application as it appears on your official transcript.

STEP 1 Create a worksheet for each Academic Status (freshman, sophomore, etc.).

Status: Freshman

Course	Transcript Grade	AMCAS Grade	AMCAS Weight	X	Semester Hours	=	Quality Points
Total Freshman							

STEP 2 List each of your courses and grades as they appear on your transcript.

STEP 3 Using the Grade Conversion Tables below, select the AMCAS grade and corresponding weight for each class.

STEP 4 If your school uses a quarter hour system, use this table to convert your credits to semester hours. For any other credit system, ask your advisor or Registrar for semester conversion values.

Quarter	Semester	Quarter	Semester
0.5	0.3	5.0	3.3
1.0	0.7	6.0	4.0
1.5	1.0	7.0	4.7
2.0	1.3	8.0	5.3
2.5	1.7	9.0	6.0
3.0	2.0	10.0	6.7
3.5	2.3	12.0	8.0
4.0	2.7	15.0	10.0
4.5	3.0	20.0	13.3

STEP 5 Calculate the Quality Points for each class using the following formula:
 [AMCAS Weight x Semester Hours = Quality Points]

STEP 6 Estimate your GPA for each Academic Status, using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Total Quality Points}}{\text{Total Semester Hours}}$$

STEP 7 Estimate your Cumulative GPA, using the formula in Step 5. Include undergraduate post-baccalaureate courses in your cumulative undergraduate GPA. Do not include graduate courses in your cumulative GPA – calculate separately.

STEP 8 Highlight all of the courses you classified as biology, chemistry, physics, and math. Use the formula in step 5 to calculate your estimated BCPM GPA.

Sample Verified GPA

The following is a sample of the GPA calculations you will see on your printed application when AMCAS has completed processing:

VERIFIED GRADE POINT AVERAGES						
<i>GPA Calculations will appear only when your application status is Processed</i>						
Status	BCPM		AO		Total	
	GPA	Hours	GPA	Hours	GPA	Hours
High School			4.00	6.00	4.00	6.00
Freshman	3.16	19.00	4.00	11.00	3.47	30.00
Sophomore	3.17	24.00	3.94	15.00	3.47	39.00
Junior	4.00	8.00			4.00	8.00
Senior						
Postbaccalaureate Undergraduate						
Cumulative Undergraduate	3.30	51.00	3.97	32.00	3.56	83.00
Graduate						
Supplemental Hours	P/F – Pass: 2.0 P/F – Fail:		A/P:		CLEP: OTHER: 10.0	

BCPM: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math

AO: All Other classes not classified as biology, chemistry, physics, or math

AMCAS Grade Conversion Chart

Find the conversion that most closely matches your school's grading system. If you are unsure which system corresponds with your school, check with your Registrar.

Grading System Type: Five or more passing grades, alpha with +/-												
AMCAS Grades	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	C+	D	D-	F
AMCAS Weights	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F	
A+, A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F	
A		B+	B		C+	C		D+	D		F	
A+, A		B+	B		C+	C		D+	D		F	
A+, A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D		F	
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-				F	
A		B+	B		C+	C			D		F	
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D		F	
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-		D		F	
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	E/NC	
A+, A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-					
A+, A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-		
A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-		
Grading System Type: ABCD/F with Halfstep Grades (AB, BC, etc.)												
AMCAS Grades	A	AB	B	BC	C	CD	D	DE	F			
AMCAS Weights	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.0			
A	AB	B	BC	C	CD	D	DE	F				
A	AB	B	BC	C		D		F				
A		B	C+	C		D		F				
A	B+	B	C+	C	D+	D		F				
A	B+	B	C+	C		D		F				
A	B+	B	C+	C	C-	D		F				
A+, A	B+	B	C+	C	D+	D		F				
Grading System Type: ABCD/F type (4 passing letter grades)												
AMCAS Grades	A	B	C	D	F							
AMCAS Weights	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	0.0							
A	B	C	D	F								
A	B	C	D	NC/N								
A	B	C	D	E								
H	S+	S	S-	U								
E	S	M	I	F								
DN	HP	P	HCO	NC								
D	E	G	Q	U/F								
H	E	G	P	U								
S	H	P	LP	F								
E	VG	G	P	F								
HO	HP	PA	CR	NC								
A	B	C	D									
A	B	C	D	U/R								

