

Grading system

On the scale of 1 to 10, a grade of 5.5 or more represents a 'sufficient' grade.

The final grade for an educational unit/module is the weighted average of the individual grades for the assessment components of the module. Students are required to take part at least once in all the assessment components of the module (written exams, oral exams, presentations and/or assignments), in order to be eligible for a final grade for that module. If an exam is taken more than once, the highest grade is the one that counts.

Dutch examination grades range from 1 (very poor) to 10 (outstanding). Grades are rounded up/down (i.e. 5.5 equals 6.0). A grade of 6 (or 5.5) is needed to pass and it should be noted that grades above 8 are rarely given. Dutch assessment scales are generally absolute, as opposed to systems where students are graded relative to each other. Some grades are given only a V (Pass) or O (Fail).

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Grade	English Term	Deutsche Übersetzung	Pass/Fail
10	Excellent	Exzellent	Pass
9	Very good pass	Sehr gut	Pass
8	Good	Gut	Pass
7	Amply sufficient	Befriedigend	Pass
6	Sufficient	Ausreichend	Pass
5	Almost sufficient	Mangelhaft	Fail
4	Insufficient	Ungenügend	Fail
3	Low	Gering	Fail
2	Poor	Schlecht	Fail
1	Very poor	Sehr schlecht	Fail
V/ Bestanden	Sufficient (no grade given)	Ausreichend (ohne Notenvergabe)	Pass
Cum laude	With distinction	Mit Auszeichnung	