

How to Calculate Your GPA

Your GPA is calculated as a combination of the total credit hours completed at UT and the number of grade points earned.

Grade points are assigned as follows:

A = 4 B = 3 C = 2 D = 1 F = 0

To calculate number of points earned for a class: multiply the number of credit hours of the class by the number of points earned for the grade. Receiving an "A" in SOC 302 would therefore earn you 12 total points (3 credit hours \times 4 points for an A).

To calculate your cumulative GPA: take your total number of grade points earned and divide by the number of hours undertaken to date. For example: 216 points earned with 60 credit hours: 216 divided by 60 = 3.6 GPA.

Transfer credit: the hours earned at other institutions count toward the 120 hours needed for graduation but are not included when computing your GPA as those hours do not count towards your UT GPA.

To calculate how to achieve a 2.0 GPA (students on scholastic probation): multiply total credit hours by 2 and subtract from this total your total grade points. The remaining number is the number of hours of "B" credit (divide by 2 for "A" credit) you will need to earn to get a cumulative 2.0 GPA for the next semester, providing you receive at least a C in all other courses.

To calculate how to achieve a 3.0 GPA: just multiply your credit hours by 3 and follow rest of above procedure. This shows you how many hours of "A" you will need, providing you receive at least "B" grades.

For example:

Susie has a 1.8 GPA after completing her first semester at UT (with 15 hours), and she needs a 2.0 to get off scholastic probation. She has earned 27 grade points. She multiplies 15 hrs \times 2 = 30, then she subtracts 27 from her total of 30 to get 3. Therefore Susie knows she needs to earn 3 hours of "B" to get her 2.0 next semester.

Susie takes 15 hours, and gets one 3hr B and four 3hr Cs, which equals 33 points. Then she would have 27 + 33 grade points, which after 30 credit hours would equal a 2.0 GPA!!

Calculate what you need to raise your GPA to a 2.0 (solve for D):

A) Your current GPA = _____ C) Total credit hours = _____

B) Total grade points = _____ D) # of hours of "B" credit needed = _____

Step 1: $C \times 2 = Q$

Step 2: $Q - B = D$

(divide D by 2 to find out how many hours of "A" credit you would need.)