

MID-TERM & FINAL GRADING BANNER TIP SHEET

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This grading tip sheet is provided to assist you in successful grading.

Visit the Registrar's Office webpage and click on "Faculty Grading and Resources" for additional grading information. http://registrar.buffalostate.edu/



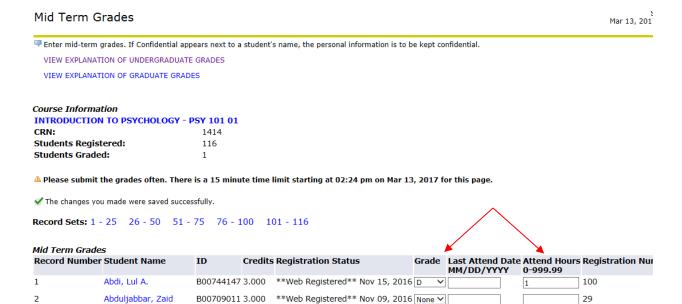
MID-TERM GRADING:

Mid-Term grades are entered in SSB Banner following the same process as final grading.

In addition to assigning an estimated midterm grade, faculty members can mark how regularly a student has attended a course by entering 0 (never attended), 1 (sporadic, unsatisfactory attendance), or 2 (consistent satisfactory attendance) in the "Attended Hours field".

A "Last Date of Attendance" should not be entered during mid-term grading. Entry of a "Last Date of Attendance" is reserved for final grading.

Banner Screen Shot of Mid-Term Grade entry with attendance code:



Mid-term grades are useful for all registered students as these grades are helpful for campuswide academic intervention and retention.

Mid-Term and Final Grading Window Schedules:

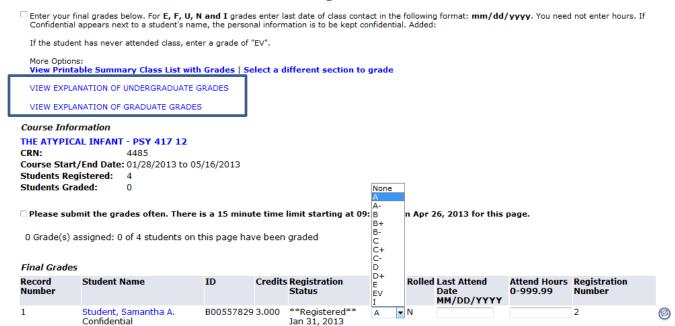
Mid-term and Final grading window schedules are located in the Academic calendar, on the Registrar's Office webpage under "Faculty Grading and Resources" and dates are posted in the Daily Bulletin.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The "EV" grade is now a permanent grade that will show on student academic records. The "EV" grade is defined as failure, never attended. You should not assign a "Last Date of Attendance" when an EV" grade is assigned to a student.

Links to grade definitions – There are new links on your roster which connect you to a list of grade definitions (Grading Explanation Sheets) on the registrar's office web site at http://www.buffalostate.edu/registrar/FacultyGrading.xml

Banner Screen Shot of Links located on Grading Rosters:



X Grade Alert: When a grade is left blank on a submitted grade roster, Banner assigns an "X" grade. An "X" grade is defined as "grade not submitted". A grade should be submitted for each student on your roster. If the student did not attend, use the "EV" grade (for "never attended"). "X" grades posted to your rosters cause subsequent disruption to student academic records, leading to student inquiries and submission of grade change forms.

ASSISTANCE: If you need help or have additional grading questions, you may contact the registrar's office at extension 4811. During off hours, send email to REGOFC with subject of GRADING. Staff will respond to your email first thing in the morning. Every instructor who has contacted the registrar's office for assistance has been able to enter all grades successfully in Banner.

Traveling during grading? If you know you will be unable to grade due to travel, contact your department chair at least two weeks in advance so alternate arrangements can be made.

Banner Screen Shot of How to Select Grade and Enter Last Date of Attendance:

- 1. Click once on the grade field to select from the drop-down menu (list of grades)
- 2. Click twice on the grade field to enter the grade from the keyboard

Course Information

COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS - CIS 101 17

CRN: 4477

Course Start/End Date: 01/25/2016 to 05/12/2016

Students Registered: 5 Students Graded: 4

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Final Grades

Record Number	Student Name	ID	Credits	Registration Status	Grade	Rolled	Last Attend Date MM/DD/YYYY	Attend Hours 0-999.99	Registration Number	
1	Amatul Nafi, Ijnne Z.	B00721141	3.000	**Registered** Jan 21, 2016	E	N	02/09/2016		4	
2	Davis Jr., Mensah J.	B00741807	3.000	**Registered** Jan 21, 2016	В	N			5	
3	Day, Virgil	B00721142	3.000	**Registered** Jan 21, 2016	C+ ∨	N] 1	
4	Dickinson, Jamar M.	B00741810	3.000	**Registered** Jan 21, 2016	Α 🗸	N /			2	
5	Ferguson, NyAire D.	B00721145	3.000	**Registered** Jan 21, 2016	None 🗸	N			3	

- 3. We do not have the option to change formatting of how data needs to be entered in Banner. Be sure to enter "Last Attend Date, in the correct format of MM/DD/YYYY. However, a new warning message has been programed to assist you if the date is not entered in the format that Banner accepts. When you attempt to submit your grades, a Pop-up message alerts you to the first student with a date format issue.
- a. For example, if the student's last date of attendance for a spring term 2016 class was February, 9th, the entry would be 02/09/2016 (as shown for record #1 in the above screenshot). Examples of incorrect entries: 2/09/2016- month must be 2 characters; 02/9/2016 day must be 2 characters; 02/09/16- year must be 4 characters.
- b. The date entered must be within the start and end dates of the semester, otherwise the entry will be read as invalid.

Example of Instructor Last Date of Attendance Error with Pop-Up Message Alert:

You enter grades for all students, and enter an <u>incorrect</u> - Last Attend Date, for two students on their roster (1/31/2016, should be 01/31/2016, and 01/31/2016 and 01/31/2016 should be 01/31/2016.

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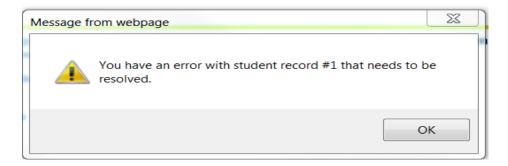
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SUBMIT Reset

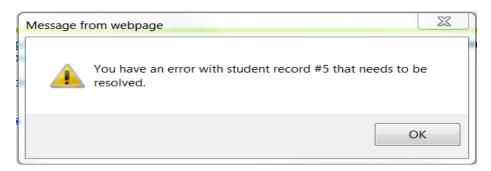
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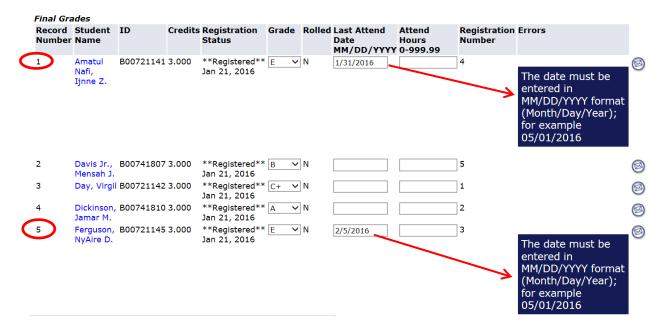
When you attempt to submit your grades, a Pop-up message alerts you to the first student with an issue (Note: Pop-up shows that student record #1 has an error that needs resolution)



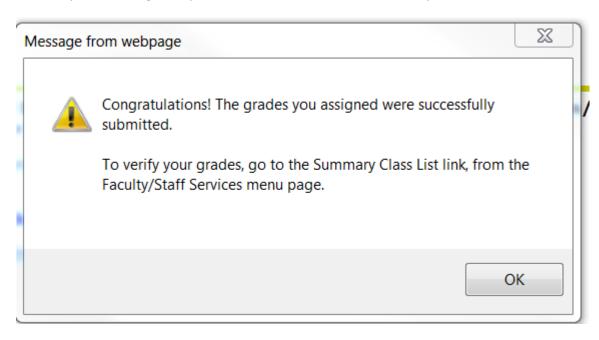
When you click on OK, you then get a second Pop-up Message, regarding the next student record on the roster that has an error, and needs to be resolved (Note this new message indicates student record #5).



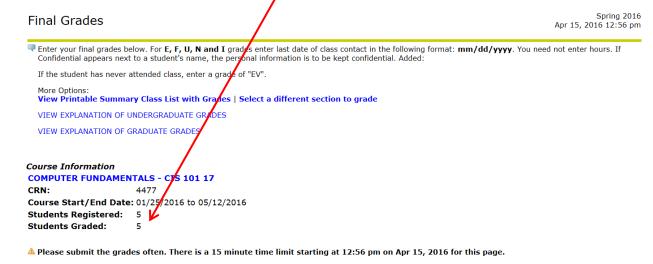
When you click on the OK button, you are back at your roster, and, when you scroll down, you can see that the Errors Column, to the right of Student #1 and #5, shows that the date format entered is incorrect – and it also shows the correct format of MM/DD/YYYY.



When you correct the date format, and again click the Submit button, you get a final Pop-up Message that tells you that the grades you have entered have been successfully submitted.



When you click OK, you can see that 5 out of 5 students were graded.



4. Submit (Save) your grades often – especially with larger rosters. Banner has a time-out feature that will log you out of the system after 15 minutes of inactivity. If this happens, and you have not submitted (saved) the grades you've already entered, they will be lost. NB: if you are interrupted, submit (save) your grades first, then respond to the interruption – ringing phone, visitor, etc.

- 5. You may enter grades for your entire roster(s) all at once, enter and submit (save) grades in stages, or make changes/adjustments to grades any time, while the grading window in Banner is open.
- 6. To submit (save) your grades, click on the "Submit" (Save) button, located at the lower left of each page of your roster.
- 7. After you have "Submitted" (saved) your grades, do the following to ensure problem-free grading:
- a. Look at the number of "students graded" vs. the number of "students registered" (see screen shot "A" below), to be sure that the number of grades you just entered is correct.
- b. To <u>verify</u> your grades, once you have finished grading your course, go to the Summary Class List Link, from the Faculty/Staff Services menu page.



✓ The changes you made were saved successfully.

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8. See also the Entering Final Grades in Banner (PDF) instructions on the Faculty and Staff Banner page at

http://bscbanner.buffalostate.edu/sites/bscbanner.buffalostate.edu/files/uploads/Documents/grading.pdf