

# Golden West College

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## ACCREDITATION

Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Western  
Association of Schools and Colleges  
National League for Nursing  
California Board of Registered Nursing  
Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners  
California State Board of Cosmetology

## APPROVALS

California State Department of Education, Private Postsecondary  
Education Division  
Board of Registered Nursing as a Provider of Continuing Education for  
Registered Nursing (The Provider Number is 00622)  
Board of Cosmetology Approved Provider Article 5, Section 945 Rules  
and Regulations  
Approved as Certified Course Presenter by the Commission on Peace  
Officers Standards & Training (P.O.S.T.)

## ACADEMIC YEAR

Golden West College offers classes on the semester system throughout the academic year. The fall and spring semesters are sixteen weeks in length; the summer semester is eight weeks; and the winter intersession is four-weeks.

## GRADING

Student performance in courses is indicated by one of twenty grades. Grades which carry point value, and which are used in determining the grade point average (GPA), are as follows:

A	–	Excellent.....	4 grade points per unit
B	–	Good .....	3 grade points per unit
C	–	Satisfactory .....	2 grade points per unit
D	–	Passing, less than satisfactory .....	1 grade point per unit
F	–	Failing.....	0 grade point per unit

The following grades are not part of the GPA computation:

CR/P	–	Credit at least satisfactory .....	Unit credit granted
NC/NP	–	Non-Credit, less than satisfactory or failing.....	No units granted
W	–	Withdrawal.....	No units granted
MW	–	Military Withdrawal .....	No units granted
I, IB, IC, ID, IF, INP	–	Incomplete .....	No units granted
IP	–	In Progress .....	No units granted
NG	–	Non-Graded.....	No units granted
RD	–	Report Delayed.....	No units granted

Incompletes were expanded to include the grade that the incomplete will revert to in one year if the student does not make up the coursework with the instructor (i.e. ID = incomplete which will revert to a "D" in one year if the student does not make up missing coursework).

An "E" to the far right of a course indicates that the grade has been excluded from the GPA calculation. The reasons for the exclusions may be notated as follows:

ACDRWL	.....	Academic Renewal
HS	.....	High School Credit Only
UR	.....	Unauthorized Repeat
SUBSTND	.....	Repeated Substandard Grade

## OTHER NOTATIONS

CE	.....	Credit by Exam
(I)	.....	Winter Intersession Course
P	.....	Course Name/Number Previously Used
S	.....	Course Name/Number Previously Used
H	.....	Honors Course

## COURSE NUMBERING

001-099	Basic and Vocational Skills courses designed to satisfy A.A. Degree requirements (except Compensatory courses), but generally are not transferable to four year colleges/universities.
100-299	Courses designed for transfer to the California State University system and other four year colleges/universities.
800-900	Courses not designed to satisfy A.A. Degree requirements or transfer to four year colleges/universities.

## COMPENSATORY COURSES

These courses are remedial in nature and may not be used to satisfy A.A. Degree requirements. The following are considered compensatory courses at G.W.C.:

Communication Studies G020, G055, G090; ESL G011, G012, G013, G021, G022, G023, G031, G032, G033, G041, G042, G043, G051, G052, G053, G061, G062, G063, G071, G073; English G009, G037, G042 ; ENGW G001, G002, G003, G011, G012, G013, G014, G015, G016, G020, G021, G022, G023, G024, G025, G030, G031, G032, G034, G035; Learning Skills G005; Mathematics G005, G008, G009.

## SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Golden West recognizes academic honors in the fall and spring semesters and annually acknowledges those who graduate with honors.

## Eligibility for Academic Honors Recognition

- A 3.5 grade point average in 12 or more units (completed in one semester) in courses evaluated with letter grade.

## Eligibility for Graduation with Honors:

- Meet all graduation requirements.
- A 3.5 grade point average in a minimum of 48 units in courses evaluated with letter grades.

## ACADEMIC PROBATION & DISQUALIFICATION

Students who do not maintain a satisfactory grade point average or course completion ratio are placed on probation and may become subject to dismissal.

## ACADEMIC RENEWAL

Academic Renewal permits the alleviation of previously recorded substandard academic work which is not reflective of a student's present ability. See the College Catalog for Academic Renewal Policies and Procedures.

## COURSE REPETITION POLICY

Only courses which fall into the following categories may be repeated. Enrollment in two sections of the same course is not permitted.

1. Prior to Spring 2008, courses designated AB, AC, etc. may be repeated for credit; however, they may not be taken concurrently. Courses with AB, AC, or AD designations may be taken for credit according to the following schedule:
  - AB designation: may be taken twice for credit.
  - AC designation: may be taken three times for credit.
  - AD designation: may be taken four times for credit.

As of Spring 2008, courses which may be repeated for credit are notated in the college catalog.

2. Courses in which a substandard grade (D, F, and/or NC/NP) was received. Students may repeat a course in which a substandard grade was earned.

## DATABASE CONVERSION

In November 2007, the Coast Community College District converted a new database. As a result, the following changes took place to our academic history:

A "G" was added to all of the course numbers (i.e. ENGL 100 changed to ENGL G100).