## Poor grades will impact your GPA

UNDERSTAND HOW ONE 3-CREDIT LETTER GRADE CAN IMPACT YOUR SEMESTER GRADE POINT AVERAGE.

## JOHN DOE'S FALL SEMESTER

| WITHOUT"F" |  |
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| Course | Grade |
| ENGL 1020 | B |
| COMM 1010 | A |
| SCI 1020 | B |
| PSYC 1010 | A |
| MATH 1020 | W |
| 3.5 Semester GPA |  |

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| Course | Grade |
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| ENGL 1020 | B |
| COMM 1010 | A |
| SCI 1020 | B |
| PSYC 1010 | A |
| MATH 1020 | F |
| 2.8 Semester GPA |  |

## COMMENTS

- Students usually have 8-9 weeks (during a 16-week semester) to drop a class with a "W" grade.
- This window of time allows a student to find out his progress on say, the first two exams of the semester (possibly a midterm grade), prior to making an informed decision.
- Too many "W" grades can affect financial aid eligibility. However, if exercised on limited occasions, a "W" grade (vs. an " $F$ " grade) can make a big difference in a semester GPA.

