

## Australia Credit Transfer Information

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### Full-time credit load (undergraduate)

Students usually take three to four classes and spend 12-16 hours in class per week during the 18 week semester in Australia. The unit of measurement for each class is called a credit-point, but is not equivalent to US credits and varies by institution. Units (the equivalent to classes or modules) are given credit values ranging from a minimum of 10 credits to a maximum of 100 credits. Students are considered to be enrolled full-time when the value of the units in which they are enrolled in one semester totals a minimum of 75 credits (normal full-time is 100 credits).

### Grade conversion

Australian Grade		U.S./UM Equivalent
7	High Distinction	A
6	Distinction	A
5	Credit	B
4	Pass	C
3	Conceded	D
1-2	Fail	F
S	Satisfactory	

### Upper division

Classes taken at the 200-300 level will be counted at UM as upper division credits. Upper division credit may be granted upon approval by your advisor/department chair upon your return to The University of Montana. Save your coursework and class syllabi to earn such approval.

### Other notes

Grades are usually offered as qualitative assessments and are recorded on transcripts as high distinction, distinction, credit, pass, and fail. This system represents a mixture of the pass/fail system and a numerically graded system. Most institutions also provide a number to represent the qualitative descriptions, with high distinction reflected as an 80-100%, for example. It is important to note that in Australia, instead of beginning with 100% in a course, students begin with 0% and earn points for correct answers. Therefore, earning 75% is actually a very good grade.