Credit/No Credit Statement of Understanding

The credit-no credit grading option is designed to encourage student exploration into areas of academic interest that they might otherwise avoid for fear of poor grades. All students considering this option are cautioned that many graduate and professional schools consider applicants whose transcripts bear a significant number of nongrade symbols less favorably than those whose transcripts contain none or very few. Likewise, in computing a preadmission grade-point average, some of these schools may convert the NC symbol to a failing grade since they do not know whether the actual grade was a D or F.

By signing this form, I agree and understand:

1. Credit-no credit courses are not counted toward the grade-point average but are included as part of the total credit hours. Any course placed on credit-no credit status cannot be used to satisfy the University’s general education requirements; courses designated by name or area by the major department for satisfying the major, minor, or field of concentration; or those specifically required by name by the college for graduation.

2. I am currently in good academic standing (not on probation).

3. Instructors are not informed of those students in their classes who are taking work under the credit-no credit option, and they report the usual letter grades at the end of the course. These grades are automatically converted to CR or NC. To earn credit, a grade of C- or better is required.

4. A maximum of eighteen semester hours earned under the credit-no credit option may be applied toward a degree at the Urbana-Champaign campus of the University. A guided individual study course taken on a credit-no credit basis will be included in the eighteen semester hour maximum credit-no credit limit allowed. A full-time student may take a maximum of two courses each semester under the credit-no credit option. Part-time students may take one course each semester under this option. Summer session students may take one course under the credit-no credit option.

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Signature       Date

(Source: University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign Student Code, Article 3, Part 1, Section 3-105)