



HOW TO CALCULATE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (G.P.A.)

GRADE POINTS

A student's academic standing or **grade point average (GPA)** is a means to evaluate the overall quality of work being done. You will note that the grade point average is more accurately noted on most transcripts as *quality point average (QPA)*, as it is the average measure of quality points earned. In order to perform this measure, the following grade/quality points are assigned: (A=4pts, B=3pts, C=2pts & D=1pt - other colleges points may vary) *

Overall Cumulative G.P.A. of multiple transcripts from several colleges. Begin by adding all hours attempted, quality points and then divide the total grade points earned by the total number of semester hours to arrive at final GPA for all Transcripts.

Example: (Total Attempted hours and Quality points as highlighted below)

Samford University Transcript							
SP05-2006	Gr	Attm	Ernd	QP	Crs Status	Title	Sch Hr
CHD202	A	3.000	3.000	12.000		CHILDRENS CR	3.000
CHD204	A	3.000	3.000	12.000	RA	METHODS & MA	3.000
CHD208	A	3.000	3.000	12.000		ADM PROGRAM	3.000
	Term	9.000	9.000	36.000	GPA: 4.000	CHD AAS DS CC:00	
	Cum	9.000	9.000	36.000	GPA: 4.000	CT: FT: DV:D	
Jefferson State Community College							
SU05-2006	Gr	Attm	Ernd	QP	Crs Status	Title	Sch Hr
CHD203	B	3.000	3.000	9.000		CHILDRENS LI	3.000
CHD206	C	3.000	3.000	6.000		CHILDREN'S H	3.000
CHD215 1	A	3.000	3.000	12.000		SUPERVISED P	3.000
	Term	9.000	9.000	27.000	GPA: 3.667	CHD AAS DS CC:00	
	Cum	9.000	9.000	27.000	GPA: 3.667	CT: FT: DV:D	
Overall Cumulative total using above formula:							
Attempted hours = 9+9 = 18.00 ; Quality Points = 36+ 27 = 63; Total = Quality points / attempted hours = 3.50 GPA							

Attm = Attempted Hours; Ernd=Earned Hours; QP = Quality Points Earned for course; Sch Hr = Hours to appear on schedule, however, some hours do not calculate in "Attempted Hours", such as developmental courses; CUM = Cumulative or Total Hours

If courses are in quarter hours and have not been converted to semester hours, use the following formula to convert to semester hours (Quarter hours X .6667 = Semester hours) or contact the school who issued the original transcript for additional assistance.