

SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY

Policy Manual

SUBJECT: Grading Procedures for Graduate Research Credit

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Faculty advisors directing research programs for graduate students have the option of assigning final or progress research (courses numbered 798 or 898) grades each semester during the student's program.

1. The Board of Regents authorizes the following grades for Research credits (798 or 898):
S – Satisfactory
NP – Normal Progress
U – Unsatisfactory
2. A grade of U or S should be given after every semester of 798 or 898 research. While the grade of NP is authorized, its use is discouraged and the use of the U or S grade is encouraged.
3. For an uncompleted program, a U, S, or NP grade will be given for the last enrollment in 798 or 898 and will stand on the student's transcript until the program is completed. These grades cannot be used as final grades.
4. A grade of U or S for non-research project credits (788 or 888) is strongly encouraged. NP grades may not be given for 788 or 888,

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