Rule change due to COVID-19

Given the unprecedented nature of the COVID-19 global pandemic, any course failed in Term 1 of 2020:

- will not be recorded on your transcript,
- will not affect your WAM
- and will not be included in the calculation of your academic standing.

Academic standing for Term 1 will be calculated but no student will move to Suspension or Exclusion.

What about results from Summer Term? Results from Summer Term are included in the calculation of your academic standing for Term 1. If you did not perform well in Summer Term, it is possible you will be assigned an academic standing level of Provisional Suspension or Provisional Exclusion. If you are assigned a Provisional standing level, further poor performance may result in Suspension or Exclusion.

If you are returning from Suspension in Term 1 of 2020 and do not have enrolment which can be calculated for academic standing purposes (due to the rule outlined above), you will be assigned a
Academic standing indicates your current progress toward completion of your program. There are 8 categories of academic standing for undergraduate students. Each category has an impact on progression (enrolment) in a program.

Your academic standing is determined using your academic standing at the end of the previous term together with your academic achievement for the current term. Any results obtained in the Summer Term are included in the calculation of your academic standing for Term 1.

Please be aware that grades of PW (Permitted Withdrawal) and AW (Academic Withdrawal) are treated as fail grades when calculating academic standing.

Quick reference guide

This is a quick reference guide to the rules for undergraduate academic standing at UNSW Sydney.

If you have difficulty reading tables, see the PDF version of this page.

For a detailed description of your academic standing level, as well as the implications involved, see Guide to Your Academic Standing (UNSW Sydney).

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### Example:
If your academic standing was Good at the end of the previous term, but you only pass 50% of the units of credit attempted this term, your academic standing will move to Referral.

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