There are slight differences in the way withheld grades are treated in Semester 1 and Semester 2:

- **In Semester 1**, withheld grades of WD and WC are treated as Fails if your previous semester's academic standing was not Good. This is to ensure that students who may be at risk of failure are identified early and can consult an [Academic Advisor](https://student.unsw.edu.au/withheld-grades-rules-for-different-semesters) before finalising their next semester's enrolment.

- **In Semester 2**, initially all withheld and late entry grades (WC, WD and LE) result in an academic standing level of Pending, if these grades prevent the determination of a true academic standing level. Once the deadline for Suspension or Exclusion has passed, withheld grades of WD and WC are treated as Fails if the student's previous Semester's Academic Standing was not Good. This is to ensure that students who may be at risk of failure are identified early and can consult an [Academic Advisor](https://student.unsw.edu.au/withheld-grades-rules-for-different-semesters) before finalising their next semester's enrolment.