GRADING SYSTEM

Students' grades are entered on their academic transcript. The grades for each semester are based on one's performance on oral exams, participation in and contribution to class discussion, and the quality of research work and independent study projects. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of C (or 2.00) is expected of all students. Students falling below this average will be placed on academic warning. No student may graduate with a GPA of less than 2.00 or have a status of academic warning.

EXPLANATION OF GRADES

Grade	Definition
A+ = 4.00	Excellent
A = 4.00	Excellent
A- = 3.67	Excellent
B+ = 3.33	Good
B = 3.00	Good
B- = 2.67	Good
C+ = 2.33	Fair
C = 2.00	Fair
C- = 1.67	Fair
F = 0.00	Failure

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

The GPA is obtained by dividing the total number of grade points earned at RSA by the total number of course credits completed.

PASS-FAIL GRADES

In a limited number of courses, the grading is Pass-Fail rather than the conventional letter grades of A, B, C and F. For the purposes of transfer credits sought by our students in other institutions, a Pass grade issued by RSA indicates a grade of C or higher.